

Columbia
Conference
1940

Name	Item
Columbia Conference	23 postcards postmarked March 2, 1940 to April 17, 1940 to Rev. J. Walton Kempe (Trinity) re: April conference
Columbia Conference	Rev. Kempe's handwritten notes for announcements
Columbia Conference	Minutes of the Forty-eighth Annual Convention of the Columbia Conference of the Lutheran Augustana Synod; and Minutes of the Twenty-Sixth Annual Convention of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Columbia Conference
Columbia Conference	Rev. Kempe's handwritten notes for cover of program
Columbia Conference	April 7, 1940 worship and announcements at Trinity
Columbia Conference	Convention Program April 24-28, 1940
Columbia Conference	Program for Organ Concert (Dedicatory Organ Concert at Trinity February 15, 1939; with note by one selection "Conf")
Columbia Conference	10 newspaper articles dated April 22-27, 1940 re: conference
Columbia Conference	"The Western Lutheran" dated March 14, 1940
Columbia Conference	"The Western Lutheran" dated March 28, 1940
Columbia Conference	Letter dated May 8, 1940 to The Oregon Journal re: appreciation for news coverage
Columbia Conference	Letter dated May 8, 1940 to The Astorian Budget re: appreciation for news coverage
Columbia Conference	Pre-convention correspondence dated December 7, 1939- April 16, 1940

Grace Lutheran Church

Pacific Avenue & Magnolia Street
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

SUNDAY

9:30 a. m. Sunday School and Bible Classes
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship
7:30 p. m. Evening Vespers

Pastor—Rev. Alvin L. Langhoff
1014 E. Pacific Avenue
SPOKANE 1975
Public Workers—Rev. Glenn Anderson

Dear Brother,

Wonder if you have the name of our Student Pastor at Mission School, at what you may send him any payment? He is the Leslie Olson. mullen will be sufficient address.

Sincerely,
Langhoff

Dear Br.

If not too late please change my text from 1 Tim. 6:15 to 1 Cor. 15:25.

Wishing you and yours a most
blessed Easter

Carl A. Bengtson

Spokane, Wash.
March 27, 1940

Dear Bro. Kempe:

Shaved hair acknowledged the program for conference before now. Please pardon. I will be glad to accept the assignment given me. Will pay the regular fee when I arrive in Astoria as suggested. May God give us a blessed conference meeting.

With kind greetings, I remain
Cordially & fraternally yours,
N. William Anderson.

165 West 65th Street
Seattle, Washington
March 6, 1940

Dear Brother:

Thanks for the program for meeting of the Conference. Am sending in the announcement for AUGUSTANA and THE LUTHERAN COMPANION as well as THE WESTERN LUTHERAN today.

I shall do my best in filling the place you chose for me on the program.

Sincerely yours,

Carl A. Bengtson

Yakima, Washington
March 6, 1940

Dear Rev. Kempe,

I will accept the assignments given me for the Columbia Conference program.

Sincerely,

Bernard Spang

Dear brother Kempe:

March 6, 40

I do want to congratulate you on the inclusion of the banquet on Saturday night in the registration fee. Some of us entertaining the Conference have tried to set that as a good example, and I am delighted to see that you and your committee have decided to do the same. May the Holy Spirit speak to us through the Word during those days we shall spend in Astoria.

Sincerely, Paul E. Norling.

Wed, 3/27/40

Pastor Kempe—Just a card to let you know I'm ready with program for Conf. they are now being printed at the Presset. You mentioned to me something about advertising a Conf. edition is that to be or not? Do you want me to send in my cut a size ad or will you do so—You do it as well. You can get complete program from Paul Vratka, as it has it. Just let me know. Love you and like it. I'm already and raising dogs. May God bless you and your congregation. This big task that rich fruit might be derived.

Tacoma, 3/11/40

Dear Brother:

Yes; God willing I hope to be present at Conference. Am looking forward to a blessed and inspirational convention. Accept my resignation, thank you. My wife and my mother-in-law will accompany. Hope to have some delegates also. Will report later. Best regards to you all—Arthur T.

Thanks for Convention Program.

I'll take the parts assigned to me.

My Luther Robt is rather frayed, but will be usable, I hope.

Best greetings.
May the Lord bless you.
Carl E. Rydell

Gresham, Oregon
March 1st 1940

Rev. J. Nelson Kempe
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Pastor Kempe:

I am glad to hear about the complete and fine plans you are making for the Convention. I asked Mr. Hoberg to proceed with all arrangements in regard to the Brotherhood Banquet and program etc., so whatever is done meets with my approval.

Very truly,

Julius E. Sture

Seattle, Washington
April 1, 1940

Dear Brother Kempe:

Now, this is no April Fool joke but, I had better plan to be back here Conference Sunday. You see Sandgren is going to be here two Sundays May 12-19 and conduct services those days as well as every night during that week. Being new here I think I'd better not be off so many Sundays. However I plan to be with you all the rest of the time and, if you could use me to sing some liturgical part at some other service, will be glad to do so. Wonder if Mrs. Materius and we-all might stay with Dr. C? We are looking forward to being with you.

Cordially yours

O. Materius

My dear Pastor Kempe,

Moscow, Idaho

4/1/40

In my husband's absence, I write in answer to your letter of the 29th. - He left last Wed. for the middle west to be gone till April 11th - of course, I can not say for sure, but I believe it would be safe for you to put him down for the assignment mentioned. I know Apr. 11th would be a long time for you to wait his answer, so I take this liberty.

With greetings to Mrs. Kempe, I am,

(Mrs. R.E.) Sincerely, Hilbur Norlin

Gresham, Oregon
Rt. 2, Box 29 A.

April 3, 1940

My Dear Brother:-

I will be attending the Annual Meeting of the Conference in your church as delegate from Gresham. Kindly reserve me a place.

Sincerely,

A. S. Anderson

Yakima, Washington
April 4, 1940

Dear Rev. Kempe,

Because of conditions here at home I feel that I must return from Conference meeting as soon as possible. Therefore, I would rather not preach in Astoria on Sunday.

Sincerely,

Bernard Spang

Troy, Idaho, April 4, '40.

Dear Brother,

Yes, I accept the invitation to preach in Bethany Lutheran Church, Sunday April 28.

When you have your complete program printed, will you kindly send me a copy. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Hubert Rex

9049 Cynthia Street,
Los Angeles, California.
April 6, 1940.

Bro. Kempe:- I have now arranged my schedule so that I may have the pleasure of attending your Conference convention. Will accompany Rev. Engstrom. Am unable at present to tell you just at what time we will arrive, but will do so as soon as I see Rev. Engstrom.

Yours,

John A. Olson

Sedro Woolley, Wash.
April 16, 1940

Rev. Kempe:

Dear Sir: I intend to be in Astoria for the Conference W. M. S. Convention as a delegate from the J. M. S. of Sedro Woolley. Rev. Nelson tells me we will arrive on Wednesday.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Victor Nelson
Sedro Woolley, Wn.

5325 N Williams
Portland Ore.

Dear Mrs Kemp.
Would you
kindly make a reservation for
me as I intend to be at the conference.
Mrs R Shodahl

Yakima, Wash.
April 14, 1940

Dear Rev. Kempe,
Mr. A. G. Peterson is the delegate
from here and Mr. Hans Fahl is the
alternate. One of the two will attend
conference. The W. M. S. may have a
delegate. The delegates together with myself
desire lodging during conference. Fees will
be paid upon arrival.
Sincerely,
Bernard Spang

Colton, Oreg.,
April 12, 1940.

Dear Brother Kempe:

This is to let you know that three
persons from Carlsborg, Colton, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred
Danielson and the undersigned, will attend the Columbia
Conference Convention at Astoria and shall want board
and room.

Fraternally,

Ernst J. Sakrison.

1000 Key Street,
Bellingham, Wn

Dear pastor:

I wish to report that two men-delegates
will accompany me to the convention, one dele-
gate from the First Lutheran Church of Clearbrook,
Mr. J. V. Holmquist, and one delegate from First
Lutheran of Bellingham, Mr. Chas. Carlson. Since
I must be at the Budget committee meeting on Mon-
day, these two delegates will be with me at that
time too. I hope that lodging and meals will be
available that early in the week.

Best wishes for a blessed Conference.

J. Orville Martin

Dear brother:

April 12, 1940

Confirming what my wife sug-
gested about accepting assignment at
the M. E. church. I am expecting to
come to Astoria by Monday night. My
delegate, Mr. C. B. Elm, will no doubt go
to a hotel. My wife hopes to be along,
and one delegate from the N. M. S.

Sincerely
Reuben E. Norling.

Dear Brother Kempe:

This is to inform you officially of my coming to the
Conf. meeting. I will be most happy to be given
lodging. You might put Lundblad together with me.
That is, we can sleep side by side as it were. Mr.
C. H. Earl is our lay delegate and he plans to attend.

The Oregonian and the Oregon Journal are the newspapers
published in Portland. May God grant us a most
blessed and profitable conference meeting.

Yours in Him,

Rue Lundblad

Warren Ore

April 11th

Pastor Kempe We have just
returned from Seattle and
found your letter of the 10th
with a request - As for
myself, I thought the same
when I learned what money
we are preparing, its mostly
local. The reason we have had
this sat mts in the host church
is because for our Fri. Mite
Festival we bring all pastors
from the meeting place to
host church. And leave them
over for Sat for Jr & Y. W. So
it didnt mean that we bring
pastors etc back again Sat.
to grace another season too
is that visiting Jr & Y. W.
who have attended only on
Sat will see the host church
etc, whereas we meet in
another church. I think the
church they remain as
many as in the past have
only attended on Sat. Its
surely H. Agnes, Any thing
to make it convenient and
satisfactory. May we have
a blessed Conf. Mrs. J. A. Martin

Convention Notes

The Trinity Congregation in Laffy. to ~~be~~ serve as host to these annual conventions this year.

Please register with our registrar, Mrs. Edith Elliott, upon arrival in Astoria.

All meals will be served in Trinity church-parlour. Noon-day dinner at 12:10. Evening meal, at 5:30 o'clock. Single meal will be. Purchase tickets before entering ~~dining~~ dining hall room.

On Thursday noon the delegation will "sit in" with the Minors club. ~~The~~ The conference will give the program.

All the day sessions of the Women's Missionary Society will be held in

The hymns used at the evening festival and Sunday services are printed in this program. Carry your copy with you at all sessions. Do not ask for a second copy.

Our Luther League ~~for~~ sponsor a stand for stationery, postage, cardies etc.

The church telephone is in the secretary's. Toll calls must be obeyed by our registrars.

The forenoon and afternoon devotional services will begin with organ music five minutes before the stated hour. Hymns will be announced by hymn-board only. The hymns used at

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Grace Episcopal Church, one half
block west of the Trinity
Church.

The outing on Saturday afternoon
will be held, provided convention
business will allow.

The Fellowship banquet will be
held Saturday evening at 6:30
o'clock. Men and women invited.
The registration fee includes
this banquet. For others
the price will be

Members of our reception committee
will be on hand at all sessions
to assist the visitors in ~~whatever~~
~~is~~ whenever needed.

~~Our Luther League~~

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these services are not herein
printed.

~~Ask the registrars about~~
Ask the Luther League ~~the~~
~~the~~ attendant about incoming
and outgoing mail.

Kempe

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SIXTEENTH AND FRANKLIN
ASTORIA, OREGON



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CARL O. MOBERG, *Superintendent.*

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THE REV. J. WALTON KEMPE
Pastor
Trinity Lutheran Church



THE REV. DR. CARL A. V. LUND
President
Columbia Conference



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, ASTORIA, OREGON

THE COLUMBIA CONFERENCE

Proceedings of the Forty-eighth Annual Convention

OPENING SERVICES

The Columbia Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod of North America held its 48th annual convention at Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Ore., the Rev. J. Walton Kempe, pastor, April 24 to 28, 1940.

The convention was officially opened with a worship service and Holy Communion on Wednesday evening, April 24, at 7:30 o'clock. The Rev. Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, president of the conference, delivered the convention sermon on the theme "The Lordship of Christ in the World." His text was I Corinthians 15:25. At the conclusion of his sermon, the president declared the 48th annual convention of the Columbia Conference opened, in the Name of the Triune God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Using as his theme "The Lordship of Christ in the Sacrament," Pastor E. Arthur Larson delivered the preparatory address on the text I Corinthians 10:16. Pastors Carl E. Rydell and Carl A. Bengtson officiated at the altar, assisted by Pastors Axel E. Berg and Reuben E. Norling.

The Rev. J. Walton Kempe, pastor loci, extended a most cordial welcome to the conference delegation on behalf of the congregation.

ROLL OF THE CONVENTION PORTLAND DISTRICT

<i>Church</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Lay Delegate</i>
Immanuel, Portland	C. S. Odell	J. L. Anderson
Elim, Brush Prairie	Carl J. Renhard	Carl Charlston
Trinity, Marshfield	Edward Eklof	
Valby, Ione	E. J. Sakrison	Oscar Peterson
Bethlehem, Mist	J. A. Martin	
Trinity, Gresham	Harry W. Lundblad	A. G. Anderson
Augustana, Portland	Paul V. Randolph	C. H. Earl
Bethany, Warren	J. A. Martin	A. L. Larson
Carlsborg, Colton	E. J. Sakrison	Alfred Danielson
First, North Bend	Edward Eklof	
Eden, Elgarose	Edward Eklof	
First, St. Helens	J. A. Martin	Wm. Keutzer
Trinity, Astoria	J. Walton Kempe	John E. Wicks

TACOMA DISTRICT

<i>Church</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Lay Delegate</i>
First, Tacoma	Carl E. Rydell	R. F. Engvall
Gethsemane, Seattle	C. E. Haterius	Daniel Boyd
First, Rochester	Philip C. Warmanen	Erick Bergquist
Gloria Dei, Olympia	Elmer M. Johnson	H. L. Olson
Immanuel, Tacoma	E. Arthur Larson	
Bethel, Seattle	Carl A. Bengtson	O. M. Johnson
Ansgari, South Bend	Joseph C. Elmer	
Saron, Hoquiam	Joseph C. Elmer	Albert Johnson
Trinity, Aberdeen	Joseph C. Elmer	
Bethany, Seattle	Roger P. Oliver	G. L. Nordwall
Elim, Waterman	Carl A. Bengtson	
Emmaus, Seattle	Carl A. Bengtson	
Bethel, Tacoma	E. Arthur Larson	
Bethany, Port Blakely	Carl A. Bengtson	
Messiah, Auburn	E. Arthur Larson	
Central, Yakima	Bernard Spong	Hans Fahl

SPOKANE DISTRICT

Church	Pastor	Lay Delegate
First, Moscow	Reuben E. Norling	C. B. Green
Westdale, Troy	Axel E. Berg	Albin Swanson
Salem, Spokane	N. William Anderson	S. Herbert Swanson
Sion, Coeur d'Alene	N. William Anderson	
Immanuel, Mullan	Leslie Olson	
Grace, Spokane	Allan L. Langhoff	G. A. Olson

MT. BAKER DISTRICT

Church	Pastor	Lay Delegate
First, Bellingham	J. Orville Martin	Chas. Carlson
Zion, Everett	Caryl V. Benson	Lee Nelson
First, Clearbrook	J. Orville Martin	Victor Holmquist
First, Vancouver	Nels H. Norbeck	
Immanuel, New Westminster	Nels H. Norbeck	
Bethlehem, Sedro Woolley	J. L. Milton Nelson	Mrs. Victor Nelson
Ebenezer, Hartford	Caryl V. Benson	
Salem, Mt. Vernon	Carl A. V. Lund	Mrs. C. A. V. Lund
Immanuel, Edgcomb	Caryl V. Benson	

OTHER DELEGATES

Dr. Julius G. Sture, Mr. E. H. Johnson, Mr. Carl O. Moberg, Mr. Theodore Nelsson, members of Conference Board of Trustees; David Lofgren, Emmanuel Charity Board; Rev. J. A. Edlund and Rev. O. R. Karlstrom.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

The following were voted the privilege of the floor: Board of Administration of Trinity Church; Rev. S. E. Engstrom, executive director of Home Missions in the Augustana Synod; Rev. J. Herman Olsson, regional director of Home Missions; President O. A. Tingelstad, Vice-President Mikkel Lono; Rev. Alf. M. Kraabel, chairman of the board of trustees, Pacific Lutheran College; Mr. A. L. Morland, Emanuel Hospital; Mr. Henry Niemi, Columbia Hospital; Mr. M. G. Johanson and Mr. Ben Anderson.

The following visitors were recognized by the president: Mr. A. W. Norblad, Columbia Hospital; Dr. W. C. Logan, Mayor of Astoria; Rev. H. F. Truscott, Astoria; Rev. Theodore Gulhaugen, Astoria; Rev. L. Ludwig, Portland; Rev. E. A. Vosseler, Longview, Wash.; Rev. James A. Tofte, Astoria; and Mrs. J. A. Martin, Warren, Ore.

THE ANNUAL MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT

To the Columbia Conference:

*Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted
among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.*
—Psalm 46

A combination of fear, doubt and selfishness has the human race in its grip, and the results are most disastrous. A second world-war has Europe, Asia, India, part of North America, etc. in a strangle hold. Finland, a small Christian nation, has been brutally assaulted and ravished by a heathen moron-colossus. Denmark and Norway have been gobbled up and made to battle fields for the mighty and ruthless. The war-god is walking roughshod over the Christian Church both at its home bases and on the mission fields. "With might of ours can naught be done, soon were our loss effected." But it is then that the voice of God comes to His people: Be still and know that I am God. Yes, "be still and know." More time for quietude, contemplation and devotion. More time for faith to lay hold on God's gracious promises, and we will know that the Lord God is still reigning. The victory shall finally belong to Him and His Church.

Hitherto, God, in His mercy, has kept our own country out of the world-conflict, and the Church of Christ within our borders is enjoying blessings in abundance. But it is also faced with opportunities and obligations commensurate to the blessings. May we appreciate our blessings, grasp our opportunities and fulfill our obligations.

In the small, but not unimportant portion of God's kingdom called the Columbia Conference the work, during the past year, has gone on pretty much as in former years. This in itself is worth recording. There are also the ordinary incidents and changes that the passing of time generally

brings. And finally there are a few items of more than usual interest. In presenting these we shall follow about the same general outline as last year.

Congregational Life and Activities

THE DIVINE SERVICES. Morning services are held regularly, evening services are held during part of the year, and mid-week services occasionally, in some cases only during Lent. In some parishes, consisting of two or more congregations, it is not possible to have services every Sunday. Most of our pastors speak optimistically about the morning service. In one of our larger congregations the average attendance was increased by fifty during 1939. Rural congregations complain about the young people leaving the communities, either for school or for work. But some of them at least have the advantage of seeing the children attending the morning worship together with the parents. One church has about the same attendance at the evening worship as at the morning service. Otherwise the evening services present the same problem of meager attendance as in former years.

The pastoral reports say little or nothing about the Lenten services, possibly because the 1940 season strictly may not belong there, and perhaps the impressions from a year ago have faded somewhat. But, indirectly I have heard from many sources that our past Lenten season has brought unusual blessings both to pastors and congregations. The spiritual visitations by church members and pastors proved very beneficial, both to those that were visited and to those who made the visits. We hope that a similar concerted effort will be made every year.

Without exception the pastors evince real concern about the spiritual condition of their respective congregations. Indifference is held up as the main problem to be solved. And in a few cases progress is noted toward deeper spirituality.

THE SACRAMENTS. Both Baptism and the Lord's Supper are held in reverence by a majority of the members. We can say that practically none of our members neglect to have their children baptized in infancy. But possibly only about 60 per cent of our members avail themselves of the blessings of the Holy Communion. Are we pastors sufficiently worried about this fact to do something about it? The pastor should know who communes and who does not. And those who need it should receive individual pastoral care. The despising of the sacraments condemns.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION. Devotionals and religious instruction cannot and should not be separated. I am thinking of what a blessing the Augustana Home Altar could be to every home in our synod, and especially to homes where there are children and young people. Most sincerely we urge all parents that they teach their children about God and the Saviour, about sin and grace. And we cannot start this teaching too early. The beautiful expression of praying and learning "at mother's knee" should be literally carried out.

Then we have the Sunday School. I have heard a school principal tell a group of pastors that we are making an "abominable botch" of our teaching. But I am not so sure of that. When I think of the scant thirty minutes a week that is allotted for this purpose, I am thankful for even meager results. When our children come for confirmation, they have spent some seven or eight years in the public schools, five days a week. But how many of them are able to read English somewhat acceptably? Let us thank God for our teachers and help them and encourage them all we can. Many of our pastors have regular monthly meetings with the teachers and courses of instruction are given. This should be done in every church, if at all possible.

Then we have the period of confirmation instruction, in some cases of two years' duration. The pastor has here one of his most important work. After confirmation come the adult Bible classes. Happy is the congregation that has one or more good teachers for these. And many have them.

Fifteen congregations had Vacation Bible School during 1939 and 12 had two weeks each and one had three weeks. In these 63 teachers worked with 767 children. This is an increase from 1938 of five more churches having this school, 30 more teachers and 248 more children attending. If we take two weeks and three hours each day, we have 30 hours of connected instruction. Somewhat more than the Sunday School can give in a whole year. Here is a real opportunity that every congregation should make use of. We are told that more than 13,000,000 American children are without any kind of religious instruction. What a field we have to serve them and our country.

CHURCH MUSIC AND SONG. In the pastoral report blanks you will find no such heading, but we think it is of sufficient importance to our worship to say something about it. The congregational singing should be made much of. It is inspiring to hear a worshipping audience really sing with soul and fervor. Everyone in the audience should have a hymnal, should find the hymn and follow along in the singing. Each and every one can at least "sing in the spirit" regardless of musical abilities.

To our choirs, large or small, senior and junior, efficient or primitive—to all of you singers we say a most sincere thanks. We realize the effort and sacrifice it takes to come regularly to rehearsals. Love to God and love for music should be our only motive. Our organists and choir-directors also deserve sincere appreciation. They serve faithfully, and often for little or no pay. Let the board of administration and the whole congregation show their appreciation now and then.

AUXILIARY ORGANIZATIONS. Among these the Luther League and the Brotherhood have conference and synodical organizations. These will have their own reports. The Ladies Aids and the missionary organizations are all active for the welfare of the church. Each meeting gives an opportunity for devotionals and a sermonette. And the activities of the members within the church-sphere are not unimportant for spiritual interest and development.

THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION. In several congregations the business is taken care of by this board, that is, in joint sessions of deacons and trustees. And only occasionally do deacons and trustees meet separately. I shall quote from one report that seems to express the situation all along the line. "Some members are very efficient and others are so helpless in being of service that it is pathetic. The trustees are almost without exception efficient, because they deal with matters that they are trained in. The deacons, whose work is more of a spiritual nature, find their work so hard. They are, however, all fine and sincere men, but some can't talk to others about spiritual things." One congregation has elected a junior board with the aim of working especially among the young people. It has no legislative power, but comes with recommendations to the regular board. One report suggests that the pastor should give more definite assignments of work, especially to the deacons. This certainly is worthy to take note of.

CHURCH FINANCES. These, we might think, belong to the trustees only. But even here the deacons have a share. Theirs is the responsibility for missions, home and foreign, and for benevolences in general. This is one of the good reasons for deacons and trustees meeting together. Every member of the board should be as vitally interested in the business end of the church work as he is in his own money-matters.

Almost all of our congregations use some form of envelopes. And it may not make a great deal of difference what the system is, so long as it is carried out in all its detail. That must be done if we are to expect results. It should not require a special motion to have regular statements sent out. That should be the routine work of the financial secretary. Every effort should be made to have the envelopes from each box come in regularly every Sunday. A little at the time and all the time. Then it is not a burden but the result is fine. And we need not apologize for this part of our church work. Jesus never hesitated to speak of

money and the right use of it. Some claim that He spoke more about that than anything else. Our giving is a real part of our worship.

With some exceptions all the congregations have met their obligations to conference, synod and pension fund, and the feeling towards the general work, I think, is quite good.

THE NEW CONGREGATIONAL CONSTITUTION. So far we have not succeeded in our efforts to get a report from each congregation as to whether it has or has not taken steps to adopt the new constitution. May we say that it is practically mandatory for every pastor to present said constitution to his congregation (congregations) for adoption or rejection. Then, refer to your present constitution for information as to how it may be changed. And, in case of change, follow the instructions of your constitution minutely.

MATERIAL PROGRESS IN THE CONGREGATIONS. The following are quotations from the reports:

First, Moscow. Repairs in church-kitchen and on the parsonage, payment on loan—\$365.47.

Grace, Spokane. New steam heating plant installed, church basement redecorated and added Sunday School rooms built in. Parsonage exterior painted. Cost approximately \$3,000.

Westdala, Troy. Shingling roof of church. Cost \$74.47.
Immanuel, Mullan. New stove. Painted front of church. Total cost \$105.

First, St. Helens. The front of church has been remodeled so as to make room for choir-loft, seating about 20. The cost of this was nominal as we had material on hand and the work was done gratis.

Bethany, Warren. A rebuilt pipe organ has been installed. With organ chamber and rebuilt choir-loft the sum total cost is \$1,570.75.

Trinity, Astoria. Paid out on new church \$5,690.43, which does not include any borrowed money.

Eden, Elgarose. New roof on church. Addition to and landscaping of cemetery.

First, North Bend. Fixed the tower at cost of \$50.

Trinity, Marshfield. New roof on the social hall.

Carlsborg, Colton. An addition, 18 by 34 feet, has been built to the church to make possible the installation of a pipe organ. This extension now includes two very much needed rooms. A small Kimball pipe organ, bought from Trinity Lutheran Church at Astoria, has been installed. The cost of organ and improvements is estimated at \$2,000 and is paid in full by donations from members, former members and friends.

Valby, Ione. The interior of the church has been repainted and redecorated. A few other improvements have also been made on and about the building. Total cost about \$100.

Trinity, Gresham. A total of \$839.74, which includes payments on the parsonage in town. Also repairs on old parsonage so that it can be sold. The balance was paid on other loans for the present church.

Immanuel, Portland. The interior of the auditorium has been redecorated, the church parlors and the kitchen have been renovated, new carpets have been placed on the auditorium floor. The cost of these improvements amounts to \$1,650. The roof of the parsonage has been resingled, cost included above.

Bethel, Tacoma. The whole interior of church renovated at a cost of \$100 plus donated labor.

Bethany, Seattle. New parsonage roof. Church painted on outside.

Central, Yakima. A new furnace and air-conditioning fan has been installed at a cost of \$500.

Emmaus, Seattle. Parsonage redecorated. Cost \$150.

Bethany, Port Blakely. Repairs and altar vestments, \$165.

Gethsemane, Seattle. New floors in basement of the church, which has also been kalsomined.

First, Tacoma. Decorated church parlors.

Zion, Everett. In 1939 the interior of the church was renovated at a cost of \$200.

First, Bellingham. Only minor improvements totaling \$92.85.

First, Clearbrook. New floor in church basement, laid at a cost of \$138.02.

Sedro-Woolley. Choir room, etc. \$200.

Salem, Mount Vernon. Basement of church redecorated. Cost about \$200. Repairs on parsonage, \$500.

Conference Activities

THE MINISTERIUM. We have 25 pastors regularly employed in congregational work. One is retired, namely Pastor J. A. Edlund, who makes his home in Seattle. Pastor Carl E. Haterius is serving Gethsemane, Seattle, until Pastor-elect Carl H. Sandgren arrives. Five pastors are "otherwise employed," namely: A. G. Anderson, C. E. Lindquist, Claes Thunberg, H. F. H. Hartelius and O. R. Karlstrom. Pastor Thunberg is doing religious work and preaching to about 50 people at Friendly Grove, Wash. Pastor O. R. Karlstrom is in charge of the Compass Mission in

Seattle, and is there serving a large number of needy that would not be reached by the church in any other way. Student Leslie Olson is serving our church in Mullan, Idaho.

It is with sincere sympathy for the bereaved that we record the names of three of our brother pastors who have passed on to their eternal reward. They are: Pastor C. Arthur Johnson who died May 14, 1939; Dr. Jos. A. Anderson who died October 9, 1939; and Dr. C. R. Swanson who died January 19, 1940.

Pastor Johnson served first in the California Conference and then in the Illinois Conference. His last eight years he spent in faithful service in our church at Yakima, Wash.

Dr. Anderson had a wide experience in the general work of the synod. He served for years as secretary for the synod, president of Augustana College board, president of Iowa Conference, member of the board of Iowa Lutheran Hospital, member of Pacific Lutheran College board, historian of our conference, etc.

Dr. C. Rupert Swanson has no doubt left a deeper impression on our conference than any other one man. He was pastor of our largest congregation for 24 years. President of the conference for 16 years. Conference treasurer over seven years. He founded and managed the Homes for the Aged. He was a valuable member of the board of trustees of Pacific Lutheran College. He was one of the main movers in the Lutherland project. The unification of the Lutheran Church in America was close to his heart. Home Missions was his life's passion, and he spent his last year as regional director of Home Missions for the Northwest. Pastor Carl J. Renhard will speak at a memorial service for these three servants of the Lord.

We welcome four pastors to our conference. Caryl V. Benson came to Everett, Wash., July 23, 1939. Bernard Spong came to Yakima, Wash., after his ordination in June, 1939. J. L. Milton Nelson came to Sedro Woolley, Wash., January 14, 1940, and Nels Norbeck came to Vancouver-New Westminster, B. C., April 17, 1940. We are glad to have you join us in the work on the West Coast. May God give each one of you an abundance of blessings.

Pastor Oscar W. Mattson terminated his work on the Vancouver-New Westminster field and left for Chicago, Ill., June 25, 1939. To him we say: Thank you for faithful work, and God bless you in your new field.

FESTIVE OCCASIONS:

Feb. 5, 1939—15th anniversary, St. Helens, Ore.

Aug. 27, 1939—30th anniversary and dedication of addition to cemetery, Elgarose, Ore.

Sept. 17, 1939—Church dedication, Astoria, Ore.

Oct. 15, 1939—Dedication of pipe organ, Warren, Ore.

Oct. 23, 1939—Installation of Caryl V. Benson, Everett, Wash.

Oct. 30, 1939—Installation of Bernard Spong, Yakima, Wash.

Jan. 21, 1940—Church dedication, Sedro Woolley, Wash.

Jan. 22, 1940—Installation of J. L. Milton Nelson, Sedro Woolley, Wash.

Feb. 1, 1940—Dedication of church organ, Astoria, Ore.

A pipe organ has also been installed at Colton, Ore.

Pastor C. S. Odell officiated at the pipe organ dedication at Warren and Colton, Ore. Your president had charge of the other festive occasions except the organ dedication at Astoria and Colton, Ore.

Our Institutions

AUGUSTANA COLLEGE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Rock Island, Ill., belongs to us and to the rest of the Augustana Synod. The main support for this institution comes from the Illinois, Iowa and Superior Conferences. This is so because these conferences are geographically the nearest to the school, and also because some of the other conferences have their own colleges. But the seminary department serves our whole synod and consequently draws its support from all our churches. It was

planned to have a representative from the seminary at this convention, and we regret that it was not possible.

AUGUSTANA BOOK CONCERN is another servant of the whole synod. It is our own plant and it is being operated for our benefit. It calls itself "The Service Station of the Synod," and we should make use of its services whenever possible.

THE EMANUEL HOSPITAL, Portland, Ore. The relation between this institution and the Columbia Conference, we hope, will be settled at this convention. At our meeting a year ago a committee of three was appointed to meet with a similar committee from the Emanuel Charity Board. The committee from the conference consisted of Rev. Carl E. Rydell, Dr. G. A. Magnusson and the undersigned. The Emanuel Charity Board was represented by Attorney David E. Lofgren, Mr. C. H. Earl and Mr. A. L. Morland. Two joint meetings have been held by these committees, but no agreement has been reached. The hospital reports marked progress during 1939 along all lines.

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL, Astoria, Ore. We quote from the report of the superintendent. "During the first two months of the year there was a decrease in the number of patients that entered the hospital, but as the year ends we find that the volume of business is considerably greater than that of 1938." There is a "gain in gross operating revenue to the amount of \$6,899.46." "All current obligations and salaries have been paid. Interest on the bond issue and interest on other obligations have been taken care of. Needed repairs and replacements have been met." It is indeed a source of satisfaction that Mr. Moberg and the hospital board are able to give such a report. May God further bless their noble efforts.

THE HOMES FOR THE AGED. These two homes, both located in Seattle, were especially close to the life-work of Dr. C. R. Swanson, and with his passing a severe loss was sustained. The board of trustees of the conference asked Rev. Carl A. Bengtson to take on the duties of acting-superintendent until more definite plans could be made, and he consented to do so. On January 1, 1940, there were 73 guests in the two homes. For further information we refer you to the report of the acting superintendent and the treasurer.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN COLLEGE. Our conference and synod share with the other general bodies of the American Lutheran Conference in the control and support of this fine institution. During 1939 the normal department of the college was reorganized into a four-year course. This year has an all-high enrollment of 444. Thirty of these young people come from Augustana churches. Dr. C. R. Swanson was a member of the board of trustees, and some one must now be elected to take his place in this important work.

Conference Organizations

THE CONFERENCE LUTHER LEAGUE has the following officers: president, Martin Johnson, Enumclaw, Wash.; vice president, Rodney Olson, Mount Vernon, Wash.; secretary, Evelyn Erickson, Portland, Ore.; treasurer, Edna Peterson, Warren, Ore.; statistician, Nancy Smith, Aberdeen, Wash.; adviser, Rev. Paul V. Randolph, Portland, Ore. From the president's report we quote: "There are more leaguers serving as trustees, organists, choir members, students for the ministry, and attending college than the previous year. Financially the leagues show a marked decrease. Nearly \$1,000 less has been raised by the individual leagues." I wonder if this may not have been caused by the Conference League refusing to sponsor the Home Mission program? Perhaps the league should reconsider this step.

THE LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD has an able and sincere president in the person of Dr. Julius G. Sture, Gresham, Ore. He feels that there is no good reason why the men in every congregation should not be organized in a live and active organization for the good of the church,

as well as for mutual pleasure and benefit. Let every delegate read his report, and also give it to the church which he represents.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY. Again we wish to say a few words about the very important work done by our consecrated women. Mrs. J. A. Martin has continued to serve as its efficient president. The money that formerly was contributed to the Conference Home Mission now, naturally, goes direct to the Synodical Home Mission Board. However, it comes back to our conference and to our own fields. The local missionary society serves as a real spiritual leaven in every church where it is active. This is of more importance than anything else, and we thank God and our women for it.

CHURCH PUBLICATIONS. At this period of development in our church there is no doubt but that the LUTHERAN COMPANION stands out as our most important church paper. I can hardly think of any home within our synod where it should not be found. But AUGUSTANA also is appreciated by all who read Swedish, pastors and older people alike.

Then we have our own WESTERN LUTHERAN. In my opinion it has two important functions. First, to supply local and general church news to our people on the West Coast. Secondly, to form a unifying link between the general Lutheran Church bodies, first on the West Coast and then, to some extent at least, radiating Eastward. Pastor Elmer M. Johnson deserves a great deal of credit for his efficient and self-sacrificing work as editor.

LUTHERAN WORK among students at State educational institutions is in about the same state as it was a year ago, i.e., it is rather unsettled so far as any information that I have received indicates. Rev. Fredrik A. Schiøtz is in the service of the American Lutheran Conference in this field. Our acting regional director, Rev. J. Herman Olsson writes: "I have visited the Oregon State College twice. A thorough canvass was made of the city by students and town folk, and the result, after it had been tabulated, will determine whether or not work among the students, combined with a Home Mission project, is advisable. This report will soon be ready. We hope the Corvallis project will be discussed at the conference meeting."

HOME MISSIONS. It was a deep-felt shock to our synodical Home Missions board and to our conference Home Mission board when our regional director, Dr. C. R. Swanson, passed away. At this writing we do not know if any one has been selected to take his place. Rev. J. Herman Olsson of the California Conference is in charge of our region also for the time being. We welcome him to our convention and will appreciate his counsel. A sincere welcome is also extended to our synodical director of Home Missions, the Rev. S. E. Engstrom. We know that the Home Mission cause will be ably presented to us by these two leaders.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY reports progress on all fronts and asks for our continued support. It is one of the six causes for which the synod has authorized an offering to be lifted. And we hope that every pastor will cooperate in this.

A RECOMMENDATION. A feeling of uncertainty as to the actual financial condition of our conference seems to be prevalent among some of our members. For this reason it is recommended that a commission (committee) be appointed to make a thorough study of the financial situation of the conference, and to present the results of this study to the conference at its next convention, together with any recommendations that the commission may deem necessary.

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church of Astoria, Ore., is our host this year, together with the Columbia Hospital. We congratulate Trinity on its beautifully completed temple, and the progress the congregation is making. We realize that both the church and the hospital are a real credit to our conference, and we pray that God may bless them both in their service for His kingdom.

Your servant in Christ
Astoria, Oregon, April 25, 1940.

CARL A. V. LUND

Resolutions on the President's Message

Resolved:

1. That the report be adopted.
2. That the conference voice its gratitude to God, that despite the changing and distressful times through which we are passing, God ever remains the same as also does the character and the mission of the Church, in and through which we are privileged to serve Him.
3. That the conference senses a real satisfaction that the attendance at the morning service continues with goodly numbers present, and yet laments the fact that indifference and neglect in this regard still continues to prevail with so many. We appeal to our members that they respect and faithfully observe also the Sunday evening and the mid-week hour of worship. We urge our people to make use of their special privileges in regard to the holy sacraments. That a large percentage of our members neglect Holy Communion is a sad commentary on the spiritual condition of those concerned. May God's Holy Spirit through His means of grace bring about a reawakening to a more general manifestation of spiritual life.
4. That we sincerely commend the daily devotional period, the family altar for every home, that both parents and their children through this means might be instructed and edified in the things of the Lord. We are gratified to observe the increased interest in and general activity in Christian instruction of the children through the Sunday School and the Vacation Bible Schools.
5. That in view of the importance of music and song so richly fostered among us toward the added edification of the hour of worship, we gratefully recognize the labor of love on the part of organists, choir-leaders, and choir members.
6. That we recognize with thankfulness to God that our auxiliaries may be and largely are real spiritual assets to our congregational life.
7. We would sincerely impress our deacons and trustees with the fact that they hold a most sacred trust in the offices to which they have been called, that in keeping therewith they be mindful by daily example and expression to further actively the cause of the kingdom. We urge our pastors to assign to our board members definite tasks and also to aid them toward their accomplishment.
8. That since the envelope system is far past its experimental stage and has so efficiently functioned, we urge every member respectfully to honor its use, that the obligations to synod, conference, pension fund, and all other activities may be met punctually and honorably.
9. That we apprise every congregation in the conference of the request by the synod to adopt the new congregational constitution.
10. The conference commends most sincerely to our people the cause of the publication and the spreading of the Gospel through the American Bible Society, and urges that the offering voted by the synod be lifted in each of our congregations.
11. The conference is happy to note the large amount of physical improvements made on various church properties, in the amount of approximately \$18,000.
12. That a commission of five members be appointed by the conference president to study the financial set-up of the conference, and give a report and also submit any recommendations it may deem necessary at the annual convention of the conference in 1941.
13. To the bereaved ones of departed pastors and lay members the conference expresses Christian sympathy and commends them to the God of all comfort.
14. The conference tenders sincere thanks to its officers and pastors and all others who in any way have advanced God's cause among us.

We thank Pastor Oscar W. Mattson for faithful services while in our midst and wish him God's favor in his future efforts. We welcome the four pastors who have taken up work in our conference and bespeak for them God's richest blessings in the pursuit of their labors.

15. That the members and the visitors of the conference are deeply grateful to the host pastor and church for the hospitality, comfort, and edification that have been enjoyed in the various homes and in the recently dedicated and beautiful sanctuary in which our sessions have been held and our hours of worship conducted; and that the president of the conference be instructed to speak words of appreciation to the host pastor and church.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLUMBIA CONFERENCE

The Columbia Conference Board of Trustees has held four meetings since the annual conference convention in Portland, April 26-30, 1939.

At the first of these meetings, held in Portland, the board organized itself into committees as follows:

Executive Committee: Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, chairman; Rev. Carl E. Rydell; Rev. Carl A. Bengtson; Mr. Theodore Nelsson.

Finance Committee: The members of the executive committee and Mr. R. W. Peterson.

Executive Committee for the Homes for the Aged: Dr. C. R. Swanson, chairman; Rev. Carl A. Bengtson; Dr. G. A. Magnusson; Mr. R. W. Peterson.

Executive Committee for Columbia Hospital: Mr. A. W. Norblad, chairman; Mr. Carl O. Moberg, secretary and superintendent; Mr. Henry Niemi, treasurer; Rev. J. Walton Kempe, chaplain; Mr. Fritiof Kankkonen; Mr. A. E. Engbretson; Mr. Hans Bue; Mr. Arthur Hemmingson.

Committee to cooperate with the Board of Christian Higher Education: Rev. J. Walton Kempe; Rev. C. S. Odell; Miss Vivian Johnson.

Committee dealing with Emanuel Hospital: Dr. Carl A. V. Lund; Rev. Carl E. Rydell; Dr. G. A. Magnusson.

The second meeting was held October 17, 1939. Petitions from congregations receiving aid were considered; and recommendations were made to the synodical Home Mission board, both as to amounts asked for in the various petitions, and to various fields where work is now being done or might be taken up in the future.

The third meeting of the board was held on February 13, 1940. Several adjustments were made at this meeting resulting from the death of the late Dr. C. R. Swanson.

Rev. J. Herman Olsson, regional director of Home Missions in the California Conference, was present to assist in the directing of the mission work in this Northwest area.

Since the committee for the Homes for the Aged had lost the support and advice of the late Dr. C. R. Swanson, it was agreed that Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, president of the conference, be included in this committee until the meeting of the conference.

It was also decided that Rev. Carl A. Bengtson serve as superintendent for the homes until the next meeting of the conference.

The fourth meeting of the board was held in Astoria, Oregon, April 23-24, when preparation was made for business coming before this convention.

The executive committee held one meeting, September 12, 1939, directing the recently elected treasurer in the payment of a number of bills and debts, also authorizing him to borrow smaller sums of money in time of need.

Members whose terms of office expire at the meeting of the conference this year are: Rev. N. William Anderson, Rev. C. S. Odell, Mr. Theodore Nelsson, and Mr. Carl O. Moberg.

CARL A. BENGTON, Secretary of Board of Trustees

THE HOMES FOR THE AGED

Since the death of Dr. C. R. Swanson, former superintendent of the Homes for the Aged in Seattle, it has fallen to the lot of the other three members of the committee for the homes, together with Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, president of the conference, to look after the affairs of this institution.

The committee has met one or more times each month since January, and is giving as much attention to the homes as its time permits. The undersigned was asked by the conference board of trustees to serve as superintendent until the next meeting of the conference, or until the board may further decide.

The personnel at the two homes continues as a year ago. Miss Anna Johnson and Mrs. G. A. Malm serve as matrons. Mrs. Anna Engwall serves as day nurse, and Mrs. A. V. Anderson serves as night nurse. Two cooks and two other servants are also employed. Dr. John W. Unis, M. D., is the official medical attendant. Pastors of the conference in the city have held devotional services on Thursday evenings and at other times. Groups of members and friends from various congregations have occasionally visited the home and given afternoon devotional programs, and served refreshments.

On January 1, 1940, there were 60 guests at the home and 13 at the hospice. There were no changes among the guests at the hospice during the year. At the home there were six who entered on life contract and eight who pay by the month. Eight life members died during the year, and also four who pay by the month. One life member and eight who pay by the month left during the year.

The building used for the hospice was purchased last fall from Gethsemane Lutheran Church, in accordance with a decision at the meeting of the conference in 1939. The financial status of the homes is given in the report of the treasurer, and needs no comment here.

Friends who have remembered the homes with gifts and legacies are extended a sincere and hearty thank you. Such gifts are a great help and blessing in the continuous upbuilding of the homes; and members of the conference are to be congratulated for any opportunity they may have to take part in such acts of mercy. Thanks to all who have had any part in caring for our aged friends, and for these institutions.

The words of a resolution passed by the conference at its annual convention a year ago are in place also in this report: That we thank God for His Divine blessing which He has showered upon these institutions during the past, and that we pray for His favor and mercy in days to come.

CARL A. BENGTSOEN,
Superintendent ad interim.

Columbia Conference Home for Aged

BALANCE SHEET JAN. 31, 1940

ASSETS

Current Assets:			
Cash		\$ 3,495.32	
Accounts Receivable		540.56	\$ 4,035.88
Deferred Assets:			
Real Estate		\$ 2,521.93	
Real Estate Contracts		10,050.04	
Life Insurance		1.00	
Savings Pass Books		346.78	
Stocks and Bonds		1,201.00	
Notes Receivable		5,700.00	
Accounts Receivable		170.30	\$ 19,991.05
Loan through Synod			\$ 30,000.00
Fixed Assets:			
	Cost	Depreciation	Value
Home Building	\$65,302.77	\$20,222.15	\$ 45,080.62
Home Equipment	11,925.65	11,425.65	500.00
Home Site	7,699.67		7,699.67
			<u>53,280.29</u>
			\$107,307.22

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	\$	969.04	
Notes		1,613.26	
Interest Accrued		128.43	2,710.73
Deferred Liabilities:			
First Mortgage on Home Property	\$	13,100.00	
Second Mortgage on Home Property		30,000.00	
City of Seattle, Improvement Assessments		95.26	43,195.26
Deferred Income, Life Members			15,118.92
Surplus			46,282.31
			\$107,307.22

INCOME AND EXPENSE—JAN. 31, 1940

Operating Income:			
Board and Room, Life Members	\$	8,805.99	
Board and Room, Monthly Guests		6,118.60	
		\$ 14,924.59	
Less Charity		556.00	
Net Board and Room			\$ 14,368.59
Operating Expenses:			
Salaries	\$	4,650.20	
Telephone		109.77	
Office Supplies and Auditing		36.16	
Household Supplies		143.80	
Medical and Dental Care		144.46	
Laundry		487.44	
Provisions		4,738.18	
Heat, Light and Water		1,460.00	
Interest Paid		785.86	
Taxes and Insurance		477.55	
Repairs		1,078.30	
Funeral Expense		1,040.75	
Advertising		93.53	
Refunds		60.00	
Legal Expense		210.25	
Travel Expense		15.00	
Depreciation Bldgs.		1,306.06	
Depreciation Equipment		341.18	17,178.54
Operating Loss			\$ 2,809.95
Addition:			
Interest Received	\$	542.08	
Rent		167.74	
Donations		621.02	
Sundry		25.00	1,355.84
Net Loss			\$ 1,454.11

LUTHERAN HOSPICE

Balance Sheet January 31, 1940

ASSETS

Current Assets:			
Cash	\$	3,951.28	
Accounts Receivable		52.00	
Total			\$ 4,003.28
Deferred Assets:			
Notes Receivable	\$	3,600.00	
Accounts Receivable		800.00	
Real Estate Contracts		1,967.27	
Total			\$ 6,367.27
Fixed Assets:			
	Cost	Accrued Depreciation	Depreciated Value
Property	\$12,064.04	\$ 3,188.52	\$ 8,875.52
Furniture and Fixtures	1,866.03	673.24	1,192.79
Total			\$ 20,438.86

LIABILITIES			
Deferred Income, Life Members	\$	7,855.14	
Accounts Payable		342.48	
First Mortgage		2,880.29	
Surplus		9,360.95	\$ 20,438.86

Income and Expense, Jan. 31, 1940

Operating Income:			
Board and Room, Life Members	\$	3,380.00	
Board and Room, Monthly Guests		1,561.00	\$ 4,941.00
Operating Expense:			
Salaries	\$	1,137.70	
Telephone		67.83	
Household Supplies		70.68	
Medical and Dental Care		9.34	
Insurance		48.78	
Heat, Light and Water		657.03	
Interest Paid		30.29	
Provisions		1,544.93	
Rent		425.00	
Repairs		186.52	
Depreciation on Building		825.00	
Depreciation on Equipment		140.00	\$ 5,143.10
Operating Loss			\$ 202.10
Additional:			
Interest Received	\$	350.49	
Refunds and Sundry		22.31	\$ 372.80
Net Gain			\$ 170.70

R. W. PETERSON, Treasurer

Report of the Auditor

The treasurer's records for the Columbia Conference Homes for the Aged at Seattle, Wash., together with the financial statements prepared by the treasurer for these institutions, have been carefully audited by the undersigned, and I wish to report that said financial statements are correct and that all records are very well kept.

N. E. GUSTAFSON,
Auditor

April 4, 1940

Resolutions on Conference Homes for the Aged

Resolved:

1. That the report of the superintendent be adopted and that the reports of the treasurer be received and placed on file.
2. That we thank God for the opportunity of another year of service at our Homes for the Aged, and pray that God may continue to bless our work at these institutions.
3. The guests and personnel of our homes feel keenly the loss of our superintendent, Dr. C. R. Swanson, who faithfully and efficiently carried on the work since its beginning, but rejoice in the assurance of God's promise that his works shall continue to bear fruit in the days and years to come.

Mr. R. W. Peterson presented his resignation to the conference board as a member of the board of trustees. The board presented the following resolutions:

Resolved:

1. That the conference board recommends to the conference that Mr. R. W. Peterson's resignation as a member of the board be accepted with regret:
 2. And that we thank Mr. Peterson for many years of faithful service as treasurer for the Columbia Conference Homes for the Aged.
- The resolutions were adopted.

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL

I have the honor to present the 13th annual report of the operation of the Columbia Hospital for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1940. During the first two months of the year, there was a decrease in the number of patients that entered the hospital, but as the year ends we find that the volume of business is considerably greater than that of the year of 1938, and the requirements have been met in service, as well as current obligations.

The following statistical report on operation is respectfully submitted:

Operating Revenue	\$74,428.61
Less Free Care	1,109.78
Operating Expense	62,106.19
Cash Revenue from Patients	69,986.17
Donations	47.66
Number of Patients Entered	1,953
Number of Nursing Days	17,782
Number of Major Operations	226
Number of Minor Operations	850
Number of Births	190
Number of Deaths	62
Radiographic Examinations	736
Laboratory Examinations	6,793
Daily Average of Patients	48.7
Daily Average Cost of Patients	\$3.49
Average Bill Per Patient	\$37.54
Daily Average No. of Employees	38
In for Diagnosis Only	339

Church Preference

Lutheran	761	First Christian	30
Catholic	50	Christian Science	6
Methodist	80	Seventh Day Adventist	10
Presbyterian	145	Hebrew	5
Baptist	40	Protestant	470
Episcopal	60	No Religion	291
Full Gospel	5		

There has been a slight decrease in the number of patients over the previous year, but the average bill per patient is greater. This together with an increase in rates received from hospital accommodations is responsible for the gain in gross operative revenue to the amount of \$6,899.46, with a moderate reduction in the cost of operation over the previous year due to a lowering of prices on certain commodities and supplies with a consequent reduction in the daily average cost per patient from \$3.69 during the year of 1938, to \$3.49 or 20c per nursing day during the year of 1939.

The service to the patients has been carried on without interruption and the harmony and cooperation among the hospital personnel has been perfect for which we are thankful to God. There has been no change in the hours of compensation except in a few minor instances, and very few changes in personnel have been made so that a great number of nurses and other employees have been with the hospital for several years.

All current obligations and salaries have been paid. Interest in the bond issue and interest on other obligations have been taken care of. Needed repairs and replacements have been met. A new tumbler has been installed in the laundry costing \$320. The operation by the hospital of its own laundry is a great saving, not only in the cost, but also the preservation of the linen. The McKesson gas machine which was purchased and did not prove satisfactory was returned and exchanged for a new Heidbrink. There are several other changes in new equipment needed and will have to be faced in the near future. New demands in the service are numerous. The hospital patient of today requires more in the way of physical comfort, especially in the preparation of food, bedding and many other conveniences such as bedside telephones, bed tables, as well as addition in the number of nurses and maids demanded not only by the patients but also by the staff doctors, as well as the public in general. Considerable painting and renovating, as well as landscaping and improvement around the hospital, has taken place. The parking court in front of the hospital

has been paved. It is the desire of the management and the executive committee to continue to improve and beautify the hospital ground.

During the year the matter of providing proper housing facilities has been a constant worry to the management and the executive committee. There are several plans under consideration and it is hoped that something may be worked out in the near future and that a suitable building may be acquired for which the need is very great.

The executive committee has held 12 regular and three informal meetings during the year which have been well attended. The present membership consists of the following: Mr. A. W. Norblad, chairman; Mr. C. O. Moberg, executive secretary; Mr. Henry Niemi, treasurer; Rev. J. Walton Kempe, chaplain; Mr. F. Kankkonen, Mr. A. Jasper Hemmingson, Mr. Hans Bue and Mr. A. E. Engbretson.

The Columbia Hospital Auxiliary reports a successful year with a total income of \$208. Total donation to the hospital for the year amounts to \$126.40. This sum was donated to the hospital for settlement of three separate accounts of indigent parents. The hospital is also the recipient of many other valuable gifts from the auxiliary, as well as flowers and flower vases. We are thankful to the ladies of the auxiliary for their support and good will.

The spiritual care has been taken care of by three pastors, Rev. J. Walton Kempe, chaplain of the hospital included, under whose direction morning devotionals are conducted, as well as visiting the sick in the interest of their spiritual needs. We feel greatly indebted to the pastors for their interest and regularity with which they have attended this work.

We also feel greatly indebted to the executive committee for their untiring service and assistance in solving many problems during the last year.

To the medical staff, the nursing staff, the office workers and all who are employed in the hospital, we express thanks and appreciation.

To our many supporters and friends in the community, we extend thanks for their staunch support and good will.

We also humbly acknowledge God's blessings upon our institution, as well as our efforts, and we invoke His guidance and help in the future as in the past.

C. O. MOBERG,
Superintendent

BALANCE SHEET—JANUARY 31, 1940
ASSETS

Current:		
Cash on hand and in banks.....		\$ 379.18
Savings Account—U. S. National Bank.....		718.23
Patients Accounts Receivable.....	\$ 53,157.29	
Less: Reserve for Bad and Doubtful Accounts.....	33,880.90	\$ 19,276.39
Notes Receivable.....	1,087.20	
Less: Notes Receivable discounted.....	373.50	713.70
Inventories—Supplies, etc.		4,711.58
Total Current Assets.....		\$ 25,799.08
Fixed:		
Real Estate.....		\$ 40,414.93
Hospital Building.....	\$140,359.38	
Nurses Home.....	15,833.57	
Furniture and Fixtures—Nurses Home.....	373.48	
Hospital Machinery and Equipment.....	11,464.19	
Hospital Furniture and Fixtures.....	18,599.92	
X-Ray Equipment.....	4,196.70	
Sterilizing Equipment.....	2,603.05	
Laboratory Equipment.....	1,618.34	
Office Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,121.55	
Silverware, China and Crockery.....	2,945.75	
Laundry Equipment.....	2,496.00	
	\$201,611.93	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation.....	50,020.69	\$151,591.24
Total Fixed Assets.....		\$192,006.17

Deferred Charges:		
Bond Discount	\$ 1,586.25	
Prepaid Insurance	132.15	
Total Deferred Charges		\$ 1,718.40
Total Assets		\$219,523.65

LIABILITIES

Current:		
First Mortgage Bonds—Installments maturing within one year	\$ 4,100.00	
Notes Payable	1,900.00	
Accounts Payable	6,457.53	
Accrued Interest Payable:		
First Mortgage Bonds	\$ 760.00	
Fraternal Hospital Association Note	13,348.57	\$ 14,108.57
Hospital Contracts	80.00	
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 28,443.34
Fixed:		
First Mortgage Bonds—Non-current	\$ 52,900.00	
Note Payable—Fraternal Hospital Association	42,380.70	
Total Fixed Liabilities		\$ 95,280.70
Surplus:		
Columbia Conference Surplus Account	\$ 12,000.00	
Surplus	\$ 84,856.79	
Less: Net Loss for year ending Jan. 31, 1940	(1,057.18)	\$ 83,799.61
Total Surplus		\$ 95,799.61
Total Liabilities and Surplus		\$219,523.65

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 1940

Revenue:		
Room, Board and Nursing		\$ 45,071.15
Surgery		11,063.03
O. B. C.		1,735.00
Laboratory		4,541.80
X-Ray		5,200.16
Drugs and Medicines		4,777.95
Medical and Surgical Supplies		2,039.52
		\$ 74,428.61
Less: Free Care		1,109.78
Gross Operating Revenue		\$ 73,318.83
Total Expense		\$ 62,106.19
Net Operating Revenue		11,212.64
Other Income		\$ 96.53
		\$ 11,309.17
Other Expense and Deductions from Income:		
Interest Paid and Accrued	\$ 4,682.75	
Bond Discount Amortized	351.72	
Addition to Reserve for Bad and Doubtful Accounts	7,331.88	
Total Other Expense		\$ 12,366.35
Net Loss		\$ 1,057.18

Auditor's Report

In accordance with the instruction of Mr. C. O. Moberg, Superintendent of the Columbia Hospital, Astoria, Oregon, I have made an examination of the books and records submitted to me of the Columbia Hospital, Astoria, Oregon, for the fiscal year ended January 31, 1940. The report of my examination is herewith submitted and includes Balance Sheet as at January 31, 1940, and Operating Statement for the period under review.

Respectfully,

ERNEST A. ALNE

Certified Public Accountant

April 1, 1940

Resolutions on Columbia Hospital

Resolved:

1. That the report be adopted.
2. That the Conference recognize the progress made by the hospital, general improvements, the efficient service rendered, and the increased operating revenue.
3. That we commend the executive committee for the manner in which they have discharged their duties; and for the harmony prevailing among the personnel.
4. That we express our thanks to the Columbia Hospital Auxiliary for its support through many valuable gifts, flowers and good will.
5. That we express our thanks to the chaplain, Rev. J. Walton Kempe, for arranging morning devotionals, and giving spiritual ministrations to patients.
6. That we recognize the need of additional housing facilities and urge the executive committee to study further the possibility of obtaining a satisfactory solution, and that this matter be left in the hands of the board of trustees of the Conference with full power to act.

EMANUEL CHARITY BOARD

Report of the President

It is my privilege to submit the report for the year 1939 of the activities of the Emanuel Hospital.

The following officers have served during the year: David E. Lofgren, president; Rev. Paul V. Randolph, vice-president; C. H. Earl, secretary and assistant treasurer; A. L. Morland, treasurer; A. C. Malmquist, member of executive committee.

The general work of the hospital has been conducted as in the past. In addition to the regular staff of internes, we now have three residents: one general, one orthopedic, and one in the pathological department.

We note with interest the continued standing of the hospital in the community which is evidenced by the fact that during the year 1,638 babies were born at the Emanuel Hospital which is approximately one-third of all the babies born in the city of Portland.

During the year there has been some negotiation between the Columbia Conference and the Emanuel Charity Board in the matter of the relation of the two corporations to each other. Several communications have passed between the conference board and the board of trustees of the Emanuel Charity Board in this matter and on the 27th day of April, there was an informal meeting held between the board of trustees of the conference and the members of the board of trustees of the Emanuel Charity Board in this matter. The members of the board of trustees appeared in their individual capacities as no regular meeting had been called. A lengthy discussion was held, during which many voiced their opinions in the matter. Dr. Bersell, president of the Augustana Synod, was present and took part in the deliberation. It was informally agreed upon that a committee should be selected by each of the corporations to meet at some future date for discussing the matter above referred to. On October 10 a meeting was held between the two committees. Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, Dr. G. A. Magnusson and Rev. Carl E. Rydell representing the conference and A. L. Morland, C. H. Earl and David E. Lofgren representing the Emanuel Charity Board. A general discussion of the question was had, but as the committee from the conference had to leave on the noon train, the committee did not have time to arrive at any definite resolution or recommendation, but the desire was expressed to continue the deliberation at some future date. The meeting was conducted in a most friendly and frank manner and there was no evidence of ill will or hostility whatsoever. No further meeting has been had of the joint com-

mittee, so the proposition remains the same as decided upon at the annual meeting of the Emanuel Charity Board on February 6, 1939.

As a fundamental proposition, it may be stated that it is the desire of the Emanuel Charity Board to at all times remain and operate within the Columbia Conference. That is to say, that all the members of the board of trustees must be members of a congregation belonging to the Columbia Conference but that we are definitely committed to the proposition of home rule for the Emanuel Hospital. We are convinced that the interest of the members of the churches within the established district are conscious of their obligations and responsibilities and will carry on the work of the Emanuel Hospital as a Christian institution within the Lutheran Church.

During the present year the bond issue on the property of the Emanuel Charity Board must be paid. We have had many offers for refinancing at a reduced rate of interest. As part of the refinancing program, we should determine the future building program of our ever-increasing demand for more hospital beds and more adequate housing facilities for nurses and employed. During the year the board of trustees has acquired the larger portion of Block No. 1, Evans Addition, lying across the street immediately south of the hospital. The land acquired is needed for future extension and new buildings, particularly a much-needed nurses' home and housing facilities for employees of the hospital. We have also need for additional parking space for the doctors of our staff. The Emanuel Charity Board now owns the entire block on which the hospital is situated with the exception of the tract in the Southeast corner of the block occupied by the Forbes Presbyterian Church.

On September 14 the board of trustees invited as special dinner guests all of the members still living who were members of the original organization which led to the formation of the Emanuel Hospital and the following responded to the invitation: Rev. Carl J. Renhard, Frank Carlson, Sven Peterson, Anton Hendrickson and A. L. Morland, members of the original organization, are at present members of the board of trustees and were present at the meeting. All other persons who participated in the original meeting have passed away.

During the year the board of trustees extended a call to Dr. J. W. Johnson, then of Minneapolis, to the position of chaplain at the Emanuel Hospital, but owing to sickness, Dr. Johnson felt compelled to decline the call. On September 14, Rev. Paul Randolph, Paul Palmblad and Mr. Morland were elected a committee to make recommendations as to a suitable person to fill the position of chaplain in the hospital, but so far no recommendation has been made.

The date for the annual meeting of the Emanuel Charity Board is fixed by our articles of incorporation as the first Monday in February. It has been our experience that it is difficult to close the books, complete the audits and reports in time for the meeting as the accounts cannot be closed before the last day of December. Therefore, it may be well to consider changing the articles of incorporation so as to advance the date until the third Monday in February of each year.

The Emanuel Hospital has been loyally served by Mr. Morland as superintendent; Mr. C. H. Earl, in charge of the accounting department; Miss Eola Miller, superintendent of nurses; Miss Helen McKrill in charge of the instruction of the nurses' training school; and Miss Alice Swanman, head of the continually growing maternity department; to all who have served loyally and faithfully, we extend our sincere thanks and appreciation.

During the year the conference has sustained a great loss in the passing of Dr. C. R. Swanson of Seattle. He was a great friend and supporter of the inner-mission work of the Columbia Conference. His going will be greatly felt by all friends of inner-mission work of the conference.

The members of the board of trustees whose term of office expires this year are: Rev. Paul V. Randolph, Anton Hendrickson, Oscar Nelson and David E. Lofgren.

To all who have loyally supported our institution and have contributed in carrying on the work for the past year, we express our sincere thanks and appreciation.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, January 30, 1940.

DAVID E. LOFGREN,
President of the Board of Trustees

Report of the Superintendent

I have the honor to present herewith the report of the superintendent for the year 1939, being the 28th annual report of Emanuel Hospital.

The major activities of the hospital during the past year are reflected in the following schedule:

Patients submitted	9,032	Operations (total)	5,647
Out patients	1,554	Births	1,638
Total	10,586	Radiographic examinations	3,125
Patients discharged	9,013	Fluoroscopic examinations	302
Days care given	103,600	X-Ray therapy	724
Operations (major)	1,832	Laboratory examinations	83,128
Operations (minor)	3,815	Cash operating receipts	\$483,297.97

It is with pleasure we report that all current obligations and retirement of bonds have been promptly met.

Our nursing staff and nursing school are doing splendid work; yet with the added volume of work, it is difficult to meet all situations. Last May 46 graduates received diplomas; 40 new students were matriculated last September; about 15 students will enroll in February and about 45 students will graduate this spring. Last May several rewards were made to seniors for excellence in different branches of nursing. It is our hope that this plan will continue. In a recent State Board examination one of our graduates received highest average grade for the State. Our senior students are now receiving instruction in pediatrics at the Doernbecher Memorial Hospital.

The past year our Maternity Department exceeded all other years in number of babies born. A recent survey by the State Board of Health has been made with a view of grading and standardizing Maternity Hospitals. We hope to have our certificate of rating soon.

Our surgical and medical staff have functioned loyally. Close watch is kept on the work of the staff men and caution suggested when necessary.

Our purchasing department has made a very handsome showing the past year. Savings have been made in all lines of purchases. Systematic records are being kept. Distribution is made by requisition. More room is needed for storage.

If our present occupancy is only temporary, our concern for the future need not be serious. If it should continue, we may be forced to give it consideration. Our recent purchase of property presents a problem of development to its proper use.

Our religious problem is only partly solved. Our pastors are helpful in conducting morning devotions and seeing patients. The nurses are also participating voluntarily. The nurses' chorus is this year directed by Stanley Glarum.

The past year the Augustana Ladies' Guild has again been active in making dressings. This work is appreciated.

A donation of \$500 was received from Dr. Butler the past year. Last year we reported another liberal donation by him.

We gratefully acknowledge the cooperation and support of the board the past year. To our personnel we desire to express our sincere appreciation for wholehearted loyalty.

"Hitherto the Lord hath helped us." With thankfulness to God for His guidance in the past, we look to Him for strength to meet the future.

A. L. MORLAND,
Superintendent

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1939

ASSETS

Current:

	Exhibit		
Cash on hand and in bank		\$ 8,837.57	
Accounts receivable—Patients	A	\$ 48,118.44	
—Others	A	281.53	\$ 57,237.54
Contract receivable on sale of farm property			2,250.00
Cash values of life insurance policies			2,760.00
Sinking Fund—First Mortgage Bonds			
Deposit with trustee at St. Louis			272.38
Trust Fund—The Bank of California	B		5,116.36
Fixed:			
Land	C	59,147.99	
Buildings—Depreciated value	C	439,788.00	
Equipment—Depreciated value	C	77,267.77	\$576,198.76
Deferred Charges	D		33,018.01
Total Assets			\$676,853.05

LIABILITIES

Current:

Account payable—Trade	\$ 18,709.92	
Deposits by patients on account	623.35	
Notes payable—Unsecured		
The Bank of California	25,372.00	
Others	29,454.90	
Accrued interest payable	726.72	
Advance deductions for group insurance	118.69	\$ 75,005.58
Deposits by nurses in training		2,046.31
Fixed:		
First mortgage 5½% gold notes—		
Issued December 15, 1930—\$325,000.00; Secured by mortgage on fixed assets. Serial bonds. Outstanding bonds due December 15, 1940		\$109,000.00
Note Payable:		
To be canceled on death of payee—Secured by mortgage on residence at 512 N. Graham		1,000.00
Total Liabilities		\$187,051.89
Surplus:		
School of Nursing Fund	\$ 3,000.00	
Endowment fund	7,500.00	
General fund—per Statement of Income	479,301.16	\$489,801.16
		\$676,853.05

NOTE: The liability for taxes payable in 1940 on real property not used for hospital purposes does not appear in this statement.

Resolutions on Emanuel Hospital

Resolved:

1. In order that the Columbia Conference, particularly the congregations of the Portland District, might be factually informed, make proper explanations of, and act intelligently on the new situations created by the late transactions of the authorities of the Emanuel Hospital in the matter of their desire to sever official and legal relations with the Columbia Conference—the conference requests the board of trustees of said hospital to submit to each of the congregations of the Portland District of the Columbia Conference a concise and clear report of the above mentioned transactions, giving definite reasons therefore, and the exact status that would then exist between the two bodies concerned.

2. That the Columbia Conference through its board of trustees also submit to said congregations a report relating to the situation concerned.

3. That each congregation in the Portland District of the conference be and are hereby requested at their regular annual meetings in 1941, to consider and act on the following proposition:

Be it resolved that the

(Name and place of congregation)

for itself, and jointly with the other congregations of the Portland District accept the responsibility of operating the Emanuel

Hospital through its duly elected representatives, constituting the so-called "Emanuel Charity Board."

4. That each congregation report its action on the above resolution to the board of trustees of the Columbia Conference, through its president, immediately after such action has been taken, and also to the board of trustees of the Emanuel Charity Board.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN COLLEGE

"For I say unto you, that none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper."—Luke 14:24.

The slighted call passes on to others. May the Lord, therefore, grant that we heed the present call! This applies to the individual in regard to his own personal salvation. It applies to groups as well as to individuals in regard to the call to the service of Christian discipleship. Does it not apply to all of us in regard to our common call to Christian service at Pacific Lutheran College?

The college continues to grow in size, in influence, and in opportunities for service year after year. Its present facilities are taxed to the point of utter need of expansion. This year's enrollment is 444. People continue to move into our beautiful Pacific Northwest because of the lure of "the land of the future." But when the college asks the cooperating church groups to help cope with the enlarged task through increased support of home missions and the college, the answer is frequently in the negative. Then the slighted call passes on to others. "None of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper."

Concretely the developments in this matter during the past year have been as follows: The Augustana Synod at its 1939 convention for the first time failed to match fully the appropriation of its Columbia Conference. The other two cooperating bodies have made no increase in their appropriations. The Intersynodical Advisory Committee, meeting at Chicago on November 29, 1939, simply advised self-help through "a renewed and greater emphasis on the Pacific Lutheran College Development Association." Prominent leaders urge limitation from above to reduce the college to the two-year junior college level; others urge the gradual or immediate elimination of the high-school foundation. All this is not because they believe that the church people are without money or without good will; it is because more firmly entrenched interests want to be served first. These have their own plans, their own campaigns, their own home problems; and so the call to larger Western service goes unheeded. This slighted call now comes to us of the Pacific Coast.

The Pacific District, in annual convention assembled at Los Angeles, Calif., on June 19, 1939, unanimously adopted four resolutions, which appeared in print in the August issue of the Pacific Lutheran College Bulletin. The first of these resolutions outlines seven steps to be taken in the establishing of senior college status for Pacific Lutheran College. The second resolution, taking cognizance of several factors, including the fact that "the stage of development of cooperation from the Augustana Synod and the American Lutheran Church has not reached a point where they can assume equal responsibility for the operation of Pacific Lutheran College, but have expressed willingness to follow the leadership of the Norwegian Lutheran Church in developing the college," petitions the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America for approval of senior college status, an adequate annual subsidy, and approval of a financial campaign in the district "for the improvement of the financial stability of the college, at the discretion of the college board of trustees." The third resolution continues the Pacific District allocations for the present; and the fourth resolution inaugurates an annual roll call Sunday under Pacific Lutheran College Development Association auspices, in which roll call the Columbia Conference of the Augustana Synod and the North-

western District of the American Lutheran Church are asked to cooperate.

Why did the Pacific District unanimously pass these resolutions last June? The immediate practical reason, outlined in detail in the first resolution, is summarily stated in the second: "While senior college status has long been recognized as the eventual destiny of Pacific Lutheran College, the marked growth and other developments beyond the control of the college have brought about the need for this status sooner than anticipated by many." The specific reason is the inauguration of the required four-year teacher training program in the State of Washington, which affects about 60 per cent of the students enrolled at Pacific Lutheran College. This reason could no longer be ignored. No responsible board or committee has denied the urgency of this factor. But so far there has been no affirmative response to the appeal for increased support in the form of appropriations. Even the Board of Education of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, meeting at Minneapolis, Minn., on April 10, 1940, went no further than to adopt the following resolutions: "Whereas the budget of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America does not permit additional appropriations, be it recommended that Pacific Lutheran College Corporation for the present carry out its plan for state accreditation of a four-year teacher training course."

So this call to enlarged service comes to us of the Pacific Northwest as a test of OUR faith; and, as a simple matter of chronology, the Northwestern District must answer first, then the Columbia Conference, then again the Pacific District. May we speak as God would have us; and may our answer inspire our brethren in the Middle West and elsewhere throughout the church to speak in similar manner! It is not only the welfare of the college that is at stake; the fair name of the church and the noble cause of fraternal cooperation are also involved.

Pursuant to the resolutions of the college corporation, minimum fourth-year offerings were added to the teacher-training curriculum last fall; the president and the dean of the college submitted a revised four-year program to the State Board of Education in September for approval; inspection of the college followed in November, and the report of the three inspectors is scheduled to come before the State Board at its annual meeting on June 17 or 18. The inspectors comment on the college's use of the Tacoma Public School system as a satisfactory substitute for a model training school under the college's own control, point out the need of additional income, suggest the desirability of separate dormitory facilities, recommend modifications in the health program, indicate the need of more room and equipment for the science laboratories, and especially urge the early completion of the Library-Classroom building.

From the standpoint of the church, of course, the development of a full four-year liberal arts curriculum should not be long delayed. It is to be hoped that no discouraging action be taken this summer by any committee or board under mandate of any church convention.

Internally Pacific Lutheran College continues to be a good school, a happy and relatively harmonious institution, respected in its home community as well as in wider circles. The efforts of the various extra-curricular activity groups have won unusual recognition and commendation from the public. People speak well of Pacific Lutheran College and its product. The faculty serves loyally from year to year.

An experiment in exchange of professors for the current year, the men involved being Dr. O. M. Norlie and Professor David T. Nelson of Luther College (Decorah, Iowa) and Professor Paul R. Highby and Professor E. Tingelstad of Pacific Lutheran College, has been a success, satisfactory to both institutions. Other valuable additions to the staff this year have been Miss Alice M. Nielsen, director of teacher training, Mr. Arling G.

Sannerud, acting principal of the high school division, Miss Grace Blomquist, assistant dean of women, Miss Jane Haugen, library assistant, and Mrs. Irene Dahl Hageness, alumni secretary (part time); and Mr. Ludvig Larson gave valuable office assistance during the partial incapacitation of the president through the winter.

On leave of absence at present are, besides the two exchange teachers at Luther College, the following: Mrs. Louise S. Taylor, Miss Vivian Johnson, and Miss Gladys Gilbertson. The last-named plans to return in the fall; Professor Highby becomes state mammalogist in Minnesota on June 1; Miss Johnson and Mrs. Taylor continue on leave.

Professor A. W. Ramstad has given the ground course in the civilian pilot training program of the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

The death of Professor N. J. Hong on September 11, 1939, removed a great pillar of strength from the institution which he loved and served through decades. Another great blow was the passing of the Rev. Dr. C. R. Swanson, senior Augustana Synod representative on the college board of trustees; also the death of Dr. Jos. A. Anderson and the death of Mr. Knute B. Norswing, former member of the college board. May God bless their memory!

Mr. Theodore Nelsson, business manager of the college, will offer a supplement to this report.

May God grant faith, loyalty, wisdom, and courage to the Columbia Conference in its important deliberations!

O. A. TINGELSTAD.

Resolutions on Pacific Lutheran College

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That we rejoice with the administration that the student body has reached a total enrollment of 444 for the school year 1939-40, an increase of 33 students over the previous year.
3. That the conference appropriate \$2500 for the year 1941, and request the synod to appropriate a like amount.
4. That we commend the growing reputation which the Pacific Lutheran College is earning through its faculty and students.
5. That we together with the college grieve over the loss of four of the college's faithful friends and workers, Professor N. J. Hong, Mr. Knute B. Norswing and our own Dr. Jos. A. Anderson and Dr. C. R. Swanson.
6. That, in view of the pagan philosophy of life developing so rapidly in our day, we call the attention of our constituency to the increased need for Christian education.
7. That the conference approve the annual roll call conducted by the Pacific Lutheran College Development Association.

LUTHERAN STUDENTS' SERVICE COMMISSION

Your commission on Lutheran Student work within the Columbia Conference has come to the conclusion that its work is no longer necessary. The student service department of the American Lutheran Conference is organized to handle this work for us. Your commission asks that its work be discontinued. It also asks that the Columbia Conference continue its support of those pastors directly engaged in Lutheran Student work.

REUBEN E. NORLING
PAUL V. RANDOLPH.

Resolutions on Lutheran Student Commission

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That we recommend a continuance of financial support in the amount of \$50 to pastors engaged in student service.

THE WESTERN LUTHERAN

As a preamble, permit us to state that this third report is, by far, the most encouraging and the most indicative of future success. Since September 1, 1937, we have passed through a period of trial and error learning. Today we firmly believe that, with your whole hearted cooperation, the future of THE WESTERN LUTHERAN is very bright.

The present officers and staff of our publication include: Rev. O. L. Haavik, president; Rev. A. R. M. Kettner, vice-president; R. F. Engvall, secretary-treasurer; Rev. Elmer M. Johnson, editor-manager, and C. S. Fynboe, advertising and promotional manager. The editorial staff is augmented by an associate editor from each synod and a group of 30 key-reporters.

For the last issue of the year ending March 31, 1940, a total of 2,363 copies were mailed. During the 12-month period, from April 1, 1939 to March 31, 1940, a total of 1,707 new and renewal subscriptions were received. Synodically, these divide themselves as follows:

NLCA	834
Aug	451
ALC	357
LFC	15
Misc.	50
Total	1,707

This is the only phase of our work in which we petition for INCREASED support. To the best of our knowledge, the average western Lutheran likes our publication and would subscribe for it—if he were DEFINITELY approached. The ideal solution to this problem has been made by Trinity Lutheran Church, Parkland, where the congregation pays the subscription for each of its 200 homes. It can also be done by personal solicitation. During this year, provided we receive the approval of the pastors, we are going to concentrate on the ladies' organizations to serve as our subscription agents. Most of our Ladies' Aids are constantly on the lookout for methods whereby they can enrich their treasuries. On the liberal commission which we are offering for subscriptions to THE WESTERN LUTHERAN, these organizations can earn a substantial sum for themselves and, at the same time, perform a true deed of Christian service for our publication and our Lutheran Church in the West.

Last year at this time we reported a net deficit of \$790.40. This year, on March 31, 1940, our net deficit is \$495.57—or \$294.83 LESS than a year ago. On March 31, 1938, the deficit was \$728.67. This shows that we incurred the bulk of the debt during the first year of publication. May we repeat—our net deficit TODAY is \$495.57.

The financial prospects for the ensuing year appear encouraging, but a careful analysis of the attached statement will convince the reader that we MUST have the same subsidies continued this year. We are earnestly striving to dispense with them, but our two and one-half year old child is not ready for it this year.

The subsidies are as follows:

Pacific District	\$30.00 per month
Columbia Conference	20.83 per month
Northwestern District	15.00 per month

We NEED a Lutheran news medium in this pioneering territory of intersynodical, co-operative endeavors. The West is out in front in these matters. We are leading the way. Therefore, we solicit your continued support of THE WESTERN LUTHERAN which is on the threshold of financial success.

THE WESTERN LUTHERAN PUBLISHING COMMITTEE, Inc.
By Elmer M. Johnson, Editor-Manager

Financial Statements

For Period—April 1, 1939 to March 31, 1940

Operating Statement			
Operating Revenue		Operating Cost	
Circulation	\$1,248.72	Printing	\$2,130.07
Advertising	1,747.20	Cuts	106.91
Subsidies	893.30	Mailing Postage	68.82
Sales—Papers and Cuts	125.40	Office Expense	274.67
Miscellaneous	13.77	Travel and Promotion	23.02
		Salaries—Editor-Manager	575.00
Total Operating Revenue	\$4,028.39	Addressing and Wrapping	73.45
		Cash Discounts	33.79
		Commissions on Advertising and	
		Subscriptions	607.06
		Office Assistant	146.56
		State Excise Tax	11.60
		Miscellaneous	82.61
		Total Operating Cost	\$4,133.56
		Less Donation by Editor	400.00
		Net Operating Cost	\$3,733.56
		Operating Gain for Year	\$ 294.83
			\$4,028.39

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash on Hand 3-31-40	\$ 83.50	Accounts Payable 3-31-40	\$ 859.69
Bank Balance 3-31-40	5.81	Advertising Prepaid	202.27
Accounts Receivable	477.08		
		Total Liabilities	\$1,061.96
Total Assets	\$ 566.39	Less Assets	566.39
		Net Deficit March 31, 1940	\$ 495.57
		(Net Deficit March 31, 1939)	\$ 790.40)

ELMER M. JOHNSON,
Editor-Manager.

Resolutions on The Western Lutheran

Resolved:

1. That the reports be received.
2. That the management be commended on the progress made by THE WESTERN LUTHERAN.
3. That the conference recognize with humble appreciation the sacrifice in time, in labor, and in money made by the editor-manager, Pastor Elmer M. Johnson.
4. That THE WESTERN LUTHERAN be heartily recommended to the membership of the Columbia Conference, and that the women's organizations of our churches be urged to sponsor the drive for subscriptions.

ANNIVERSARY BOOK

The following report by the committee on the conference 50th Anniversary Booklet was read and adopted.

1. In view of the fact that the Columbia Conference will celebrate 50 years of its work in 1943, and in partial preparation for that celebration, we as a conference resolve to publish a suitable historical book.
2. Each congregation through its pastor be asked to send its latest and most recent historical booklets or other materials to the historian so that he may have material from which to make a beginning.
3. Each congregation at its next annual meeting be asked to determine to what extent they would be interested in, and be willing to support, the publication of a suitable historical book.

REV. REUBEN E. NORLING
REV. CARL J. RENHARD.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The following were appointed last year to serve as members of the Committee on Christian Education for the year, 1939-1940: Rev. J. Walton Kempe, Rev. Carl S. Odell and Miss Vivian Johnson.

The main purpose for the appointment of a conference committee on Christian Education is declared in the following objectives as set forth by the synodical board of Christian Education and Literature:

1. To promote the cause of elementary Christian Education in general throughout the conference.
2. To present the same cause at district and conference meetings.
3. To foster district church school teachers' rallies.
4. To promote teachers' training courses wherever feasible either in the local congregation or as a district project.
5. To serve as a means of contact between the synodical board and the local congregations.

Your committee has not even begun to function in any of these objectives. Pastor Odell and Pastor Kempe have conferred about the possibility of preparing a questionnaire, the same to be sent each church school in the conference with a view of learning what is being done in the various areas and congregations of the conference. If and when this is done, we will have a starting point from which to work. We will need to know what courses are offered in the conference church schools, what local teachers' training work is done and if church school institutes are held and how often. This information the synodical church school secretary, the Rev. J. Vincent Nordgren, wishes to have, and then with him plans can be laid for further work along institute lines. It is our hope to have the Rev. Mr. Nordgren come to Columbia for a series of school meetings, and he has indicated his willingness to come when workable arrangements can be made.

The most important need of our church schools is to have teachers who are equipped by training for their great task. No doubt there are many churches or schools who have little or no teachers' training in their program. We know there are some who are commencing leadership courses as prescribed by our synod with a view of offering credits toward certificates and diplomas. Along these lines would this committee offer its assistance that the steps of the synodical plan might be realized.

Our committee does not ask for reappointment but we do ask that a committee be continued so that some definite results might be attained. It would be well if the committee be made representative of all the four districts and that permission be given to meet twice during the year at some central place. If this be done, all the details of our Christian Education program and problems can then be studied and offerings given not only the work in our churches but also the synodical board. The board of Christian Education and Literature solicits our suggestions. And the motives for all this is that our church school work shall be enhanced for the good of living souls.

J. WALTON KEMPE, Chairman.

Resolutions on Christian Education

Resolved:

1. That the report be adopted.
2. That we urge the committee to continue its work along the lines suggested, which are district surveys and the devising of a schedule whereby the Rev. J. Vincent Nordgren can visit our various churches for the purpose of holding institutes.
3. That as much publicity be given this work as the committee deems necessary.

HOME MISSIONS

Resolved:

That the conference considers the work of Home Missions as the most important of its work outside of the local congregation, and looks hopefully to the future of this work under the guidance of the regional director of Home Missions and in cooperation with the synodical Home Mission board.

CONFERENCE LUTHER LEAGUE

The Columbia Conference Luther League has operated during the past year in much the same manner as in the previous years. Until the annual convention over Labor Day, Miss Martha Elmer of First Church, Tacoma, Wash., very capably directed the affairs of the organization and together with the executive committee and Rev. Carl E. Rydell, the adviser, plans and arrangements were made for the convention which was held in Spokane, Wash., with the Grace Luther League being the host league, Rev. A. L. Langhoff, pastor. At this convention Martin Johnson, Enumclaw, Wash., was elected president; Rodney Olson, Mount Vernon, Wash., vice president; Evelyn Erickson, Portland, Ore., secretary; Edna Peterson, Warren, Ore., treasurer; and Nancy Smith, Aberdeen, Wash., statistician. Rev. Paul Randolph, Portland, Ore., has been elected pastoral adviser.

The statistical report for January 1, 1940, shows a decrease of 66 members in the Conference Luther Leagues during the past year. One hundred and thirty-four have been dropped from the rolls of the individual leagues. This decrease is largely attributed to the dropping of non-interested names in order to reduce the conference and district assessments on the league. We hope that this is not a sign of decreasing interest in league work, but a drive to have a more active membership. The number of men have increased and women have decreased. There are more leaguers serving as trustees, organists, choir members, students for the ministry, and attending colleges than the previous year. Financially, the leagues also show a marked decrease, nearly \$1,000 less has been raised among the individual leagues than the previous year. This naturally caused a decrease in donations to the local churches, benevolent organizations, etc.

Each of the four District Luther Leagues is active in rallies and other projects. Each has either conducted or taken an active part in conducting Bible institutes during the summer months. All institutes showed a large increase in registrations and interest during the past season.

Plans are being made for the next convention which will be held at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Seattle, Wash., August 30 to September 2. Also for a Pocket Testament membership drive and fellowship offering services among all the leagues. We hope to push on to create more interest in Luther League work and to build an organization that will draw the young people into the church and win them for the church.

MARTIN JOHNSON,

President Columbia Conference Luther League.

Resolutions on Conference Luther League

Resolved:

1. That the report be adopted.
2. That we are happy to notice the progress our Luther Leagues have made in securing more members for the Pocket Testament movement, and that all our Conference Luther Leagues have received fellowship offerings for the benefit of our synodical work.
3. That we thank God for the increased interest of our young people in attending and supporting the several Lutheran Bible camps within our conference.
4. In view of the aggressive and extensive Home Mission program now being carried on throughout our church, we urge our Luther Leagues to hold a Home Mission service at which time an offering for said work be received.

CONFERENCE LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

As a result of reports I have received from pastors and chairmen of local brotherhood organizations, I find that in most of the congregations there are consecrated men, such as are zealous for the advancement of the kingdom of God, who work and are tireless in their efforts in the different activities of our Lutheran Church. There is a definite group of men in the majority of our congregations who represent a real leadership in the activities of their congregations, regardless of whether they are organized as a brotherhood or not, but on the other hand there are many men in our congregations who are inactive and disinterested, many of whom should not be considered as members. If such members could be attracted and developed into active and consecrated church members through a medium such as the brotherhood, then, certainly, real missionary work would be accomplished by maintaining a live and vigorous brotherhood organization in our congregations.

It is rather abnormal that the men of our congregations cannot maintain an organization very readily. It has never been particularly difficult to maintain a ladies aid, a Luther League or a woman's missionary society in our congregations. Are the men more independent and not as gregarious as the women? The service clubs, which are so popular, such as Kiwanis and Rotary seem to be able to carry on admirably, displaying much enthusiasm and vigor. Do our men lack the technique and mechanics which are needed for maintenance of a brotherhood? Surely, we have a lofty and noble purpose, and obviously, as a result, a purpose for being organized.

In view of the large number of souls unchurched in our country and the fact that only a small proportion of those confirmed each year remain as members, indicates that he who designates himself as a Christian needs to be up and doing and should unite with others of a likeminded purpose.

Of the 44 congregations of our conference, about one-fourth of them have a brotherhood or some men's organization. A few organizations do not desire to be affiliated with conference or synodical brotherhood organizations.

One brotherhood carries on a very commendable and effective work with the boys, one takes care of the salary of the janitor of the church, several have done reparative work on church property, others supply mimeograph and mailing materials, one pays for the church bulletin, one has bought new hymnals, and there are many other undertakings that have been accomplished. Suffice it to say that most of the results of these undertakings would not have been accomplished had the men not been organized.

In conclusion may I point out that, with as noble and lofty a purpose as is ours, we should pray to God for guidance and a will to seek to enlist all of our men in brotherhood organizations in order that Christ's kingdom may be advanced as a result of our God-guided efforts.

JULIUS G. STURE.

Resolutions on the Conference Brotherhood

Resolved:

1. That the report be adopted.
2. That we express our joy and appreciation for the men who are faithfully serving our congregations through their respective brotherhoods, and hope that many more will join the ranks of those who are thus active in the service of the kingdom.

GREETINGS AND ADDRESSES

Fraternal greetings were delivered to the conference by the following: the Rev. L. Ludwig, Portland, Ore., president of the Northwestern District of the American Lutheran Church; the Rev. Theodore Gulhaugen, Astoria, Ore., representing President H. L. Foss of the Pacific District of

the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America; the Rev. E. A. Vosseler, Longview, Wash., vice president of the Pacific Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America; the Rev. James A. Tofte, Astoria, Ore., for the West Coast District of the Lutheran Free Church.

The Rev. S. E. Engstrom, executive director, and the Rev. J. Herman Olsson, regional director, of Home Missions in the Augustana Synod presented their work to the convention.

Others who brought greetings to the convention were Mayor W. C. Logan of Astoria; Mr. A. W. Norblad, chairman of the executive committee of Columbia Hospital; the Rev. Carl E. Rydell, president of the Pacific Historical Society of the Baltic Peoples; the Rev. O. R. Karlstrom, superintendent of the Compass Mission, Seattle, and Mrs. J. A. Martin, president of the Columbia Conference Woman's Missionary Society.

Greetings by telegram were received from the New York Conference. Telegraphic greetings were sent to the New York and Illinois conferences.

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION OF THE CONFERENCE

On motion duly made and seconded, and all the delegates voting in the affirmative, the following motion was duly passed:

Resolved: That Articles V and VI of the constitution of this corporation be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE V—All business of this corporation shall be managed and transacted by a Board of Trustees to be elected as hereinafter provided. The president and secretary of said Board of Trustees shall have the power to sign and execute all contracts, agreements, mortgages, deeds, and other legal documents in the name and on behalf of this corporation pursuant to its resolutions. The Board of Trustees shall render a full account and give a complete report of all its business and transactions to this corporation at its annual meeting.

ARTICLE VI—The Board of Trustees of this corporation shall consist of nine elected members, and in addition thereto, the president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer shall, during the term of office for which he is elected, be a member of the Board of Trustees by virtue of his office.

The nine elected members of the Board of Trustees shall be elected at the regular annual conference meeting of this corporation as follows, to wit: Three members of said board shall be elected each year for a term of three years and shall hold office until their successors are elected, and shall be elected from the clergy and lay members of the congregations within said conference; however, a lay member need not be a delegate to the annual meeting of this corporation in order to be elected a member of the Board of Trustees. Said Board of Trustees shall at no time exceed thirteen in number, of whom at no time more than seven shall be clergymen.

In the event that an elected member of the Board of Trustees shall be elected to an office which entitles him to membership on said Board of Trustees by virtue of such office, then his position as elected member of the Board of Trustees shall become vacant and a member shall be elected to serve as a member of said Board for the unexpired term of the member elected to such office.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

At 11:30 a.m., April 26, the delegates to the Columbia Conference Woman's Missionary Society joined the Columbia Conference delegation in an impressive memorial service conducted by the Rev. Carl J. Renhard in memory of the Rev. C. Arthur Johnson, the Rev. Dr. Jos. A. Anderson, and the Rev. Dr. C. R. Swanson, all of whom have been called to their eternal reward since the last convention of conference.

Pastor Renhard spoke on "The Lordship of Christ in Death."

FINANCES OF THE CONFERENCE

COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Columbia Conference, Columbia Hospital, Columbia Conference Homes, Year 1939

ASSETS	
Cash on Hand	\$ 9,183.15
Notes Receivable	17,460.40
Accounts Receivable	\$ 55,853.86
Less Deductions for Bad Debts	33,880.90
	21,972.96
Inventories	4,711.58
Total Current Assets	53,328.09
Deferred Current Assets: Trust Items, Notes, Contracts, Bonds, etc.	16,088.02
Deferred Expense Charges	1,718.40
Fixed Assets: Buildings	223,559.76
Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment	59,210.66
	292,770.42
Less Reserves for Depreciation: Buildings	73,431.36
Equipment	12,098.89
	207,240.17
Real Estate:	
Columbia Hospital	40,414.93
Home for Aged	7,699.67
	48,114.60
Total All Assets	\$326,489.28

LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities: Notes Payable—Sundry	\$ 12,821.26
Notes Payable—Unsecured Hospital Notes	23,266.47
Accounts Payable—Sundry	10,001.71
Accrued Interest Payable:	
Columbia Conference	\$ 1,314.35
Columbia Hospital	14,108.57
Home for Aged	128.43
	15,551.35
First Mortgage Installment	4,100.00
Hospital Contracts	80.00
1940 Collections from Churches Credited	78.84
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 65,899.63
Fixed Liabilities:	
Bond Issue and First Mortgage:	
Columbia Hospital	\$ 52,900.00
Hospice	2,880.29
Home for Aged	13,100.00
	68,880.29
Notes Payable Fraternal Hospital Ass'n	42,380.70
Second Mortgage	30,000.00
Local Improvement Assessment	95.26
Special Fund Liabilities:	
Church Extension, Student Aid Fund, etc.	15,555.86
Trust Funds: For Life Inmates of Homes	22,974.06
Total All Liabilities	\$245,785.80
Surplus	80,703.48
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$326,489.28

COLUMBIA CONFERENCE, INC.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS YEAR 1939

RECEIPTS:

Balance in Bank Feb. 1, 1939	\$ 87.88
Received from Churches	12,368.26
Received from the Johnson Estate:	
For Home for Aged	\$185.67
For Home Missions	185.66
For Foreign Missions	185.70
	557.03
Pentecost Offerings	111.99
Emergency Appeal	175.04
Notes Receivable	166.64
Finnish Relief	103.68
American Bible Society	52.49

Miscellaneous Interest		
Emanuel Hospital, Portland	\$33.15	
Emmaus Luth. Church, Seattle	12.00	
Messiah Church, Auburn	6.00	51.15

Other Miscellaneous Items:		
Bank Balance Transferred from Dr. Swanson	60.74	
Rent: Mullian Prop.	23.00	
Assemblies of God	15.00	
In Memoriam Dr. C. R. Swanson	10.00	108.74
Augustana Tract Fund		10.07
Augustana Women's Miss. Soc.		11.45

Total Receipts \$13,804.42

DISBURSEMENTS:

Augustana Synod		* \$6,425.00
Notes Payable		1,450.00
Interest: Columbia Hospital	\$873.59	
Columbia Conference	20.00	

Insurance for benefit of Columbia Hospital		893.59
Salaries		666.40
LSSA in Oregon		600.00
LSSA in Wash. and Idaho		200.00
Pacific Lutheran College		25.00
Administrative Expenses		1,500.00
Traveling Expenses		415.42
Pentecost Offering		235.74
American Bible Society		111.99
Augustana Tract Fund		32.54
Emergency Appeal		10.07
Finnish Relief		175.04
Western Lutheran: Special Appropriation	150.00	103.68
General Appropriation	170.81	
Cash on Hand		320.81
Cash in Bank		29.60
		609.54

Total Disbursements \$13,804.42

*\$500 sent in during close of 1938 budget, applying on 1939 budget, \$600 sent in March 15, 1940, to apply on 1939 budget, making a total of \$7,525.00 paid on 1939 budget.

Report of the Auditors

This is to certify that the undersigned have audited the books of the Columbia Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod for the year ended February 29, 1940, and that in our opinion the attached statement of receipts and disbursements and Balance Sheet correctly set forth the transactions for the period covered and the financial condition of the conference as of February 29, 1940.

LUDVIG LARSON
ESTHER H. DAVIS
Auditors.

April 4, 1940.

APPORTIONMENT RECEIPTS FOR 1939

(Including Fares to Conference)

	Budget	Received	Balance
Portland District			
Trinity, Astoria, Ore.	\$ 585.00)	\$685.00	
Bal. on 1938 Budget	100.00)		
Elim, Brush Prairie, Wash.	115.00	115.00	
Carlsborg, Colton, Oregon	260.00	264.00	4.00 Cr.
Eden, Elgarose	30.00	30.00	
Valby, Ione, Oregon	65.00	65.00	
Trinity, Marshfield	150.00	58.55	91.45
Bethlehem, Mist, Oregon	20.00		20.00
First, North Bend	15.00	15.00	
Augustana, Portland	1,100.00	1,100.00	
Immanuel, Portland	1,100.00	1,100.00	
First, St. Helens	100.00	100.00	
Trinity, Gresham	250.00	250.00	
Bethany, Warren	355.00	355.00	
Tacoma District			
Trinity, Aberdeen	195.00	16.67	178.33
Messiah, Auburn	115.00	115.00	
Saron, Hoquiam	195.00	88.01	106.99
Gloria Dei, Olympia	250.00	251.00	1.00 Cr.
Bethany, Port Blakely	125.00	125.00	

First, Rochester	150.00	153.71	3.71 Cr.
Bethany, Seattle	800.00	455.60	344.40
Bethel, Seattle	280.00	180.00	100.00
Emmaus, Seattle	300.00	154.00	146.00
Gethsemane, Seattle	1,700.00	1,500.00	200.00
Bethel, Tacoma	100.00	100.00	
First, Tacoma	1,300.00	1,208.00	92.00
Immanuel, Tacoma	50.00	20.00	30.00
Elim, Wataman	33.00	33.00	
Central, Yakima	400.00	400.00	
Spokane District			
First, Moscow, Idaho	575.00	278.00	297.00
Grace, Spokane	900.00	900.00	
Salem, Spokane	900.00	900.00	
Westdala, Troy, Idaho	280.00	350.00	70.00 Cr.
Mt. Baker District			
First, Bellingham	250.00	250.00	
First, Clearbrook	245.00	245.13	.13 Cr.
Zion, Everett	375.00	256.00	119.00
Ebenezer, Hartford	115.00		115.00
Salem, Mt. Vernon	950.00	950.00	
Immanuel, New Westminster, B. C.	125.00		125.00
Bethlehem, Sedro Woolley	200.00	35.25	164.75
First, Vancouver, B. C.	300.00		300.00
	\$15,453.00	\$13,101.92	\$2,329.75
Immanuel, Mullen		21.33	
		\$13,123.25	

Resolutions on Treasurer's Report

Resolved:

1. That the report be adopted.
2. That the congregations which have paid their allotment are commended by the conference for their faithfulness.
3. That the attention of the conference be directed to the fact that about 15 per cent of the sum allocated to the congregations for 1939 is unpaid, thereby making impossible payments in full by the conference treasurer to synod and to other beneficiaries; and that these congregations are reminded that non-payment of apportionments does not automatically cancel the obligation.

BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR 1941

A motion prevailed that the budget committee for 1941 be composed of the officers of the conference together with one clergyman and one layman from each district, the district representatives to be elected by their respective bodies.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY FINANCES

The president appointed a committee of five to make a study of the financial status of the conference, and to give a report on the same at the next annual convention of the conference. The members of this committee are: Mr. Theodore Nelsson, Mr. A. W. Norblad, Mr. Carl O. Moberg, Mr. R. W. Peterson and Mr. C. H. Earl.

EXCUSE COMMITTEE

The following have requested to be excused from attending all or a part of this convention: Bethel Church of Tacoma, Messiah Church of Auburn, Emmaus Church of Seattle, and Bethany Church of Port Blakely, in not having a lay delegate at this convention.

Pastor Claes Thunberg, not in attendance. Mr. Daniel Boyd, delegate, Gethsemane, Seattle—Friday noon. Pastor Elmer of Aberdeen—Saturday. Pastor Spong and Mr. Hans Fahl, Yakima—Saturday. Pastors Odell, Randolph, and Lundblad, and Mr. C. H. Earl for all day Sunday. Pastor Benson and Mr. Lee Nelson, Everett—Sunday afternoon.

We recommend that these petitions be granted.

CARL E. CHARLSTON,

J. A. MARTIN,

The above petitions were granted.

Committee.

COLUMBIA CONFERENCE BUDGET FOR 1941

Requirements			
Salaries, Conference Officers.....		\$675.00	
Pacific Lutheran College.....		2,500.00	
Fares, Board of Trustees.....		200.00	
Office expense.....		100.00	
Printing Conference Minutes.....		250.00	
Lutheran Student Work in Washington and Idaho.....		50.00	
Augustana Synod Budget.....		9,760.00	
Payment of notes.....		2,000.00	
Fares, Conference Delegation.....		250.00	
Western Lutheran.....		250.00	
Lutheran Student Service Association.....		200.00	
		\$16,235.00	
Sources of Income			
Congregations on Conference dues.....		\$15,118.00	
Luther League.....		200.00	
Woman's Missionary Society.....		100.00	
Special gifts.....		817.00	
		\$16,235.00	
APPORTIONMENTS			
Portland District		Spokane District	
Immanuel, Portland.....	\$1,100.00	First, Moscow.....	\$475.00
Trinity, Astoria.....	625.00	Grace, Spokane.....	900.00
Elim, Brush Prairie.....	115.00	Salem, Spokane.....	900.00
Trinity, Marshfield.....	100.00	Westdala, Troy.....	280.00
Valby, Ione.....	65.00	Mullan, Idaho.....	20.00
Bethlehem, Mist.....	20.00		
Trinity, Gresham.....	250.00		\$2,575.00
Augustana, Portland.....	1,100.00		
Bethany, Warren.....	355.00	First, Bellingham.....	\$250.00
Carlsborg, Colton.....	260.00	First, Clearbrook.....	245.00
First, North Bend.....	20.00	Zion, Everett.....	300.00
Eden, Elgarose.....	30.00	Ebenezer, Hartford.....	115.00
First, St. Helens.....	125.00	Salem, Mt. Vernon.....	950.00
		Immanuel, New Westminster.....	50.00
		Bethlehem, Sedro-Woolley.....	200.00
		First, Vancouver.....	150.00
	\$4,165.00		
Tacoma District			
Trinity, Aberdeen.....	\$195.00		
Messiah, Auburn.....	115.00		
Saron, Hoquiam.....	195.00		
Gloria Dei, Olympia.....	275.00		
Bethany, Port Blakely.....	125.00		
First, Rochester.....	150.00		
Bethany, Seattle.....	900.00		
Bethel, Seattle.....	280.00		
Emmaus, Seattle.....	300.00		
Gethsemane, Seattle.....	1,700.00		
Bethel, Tacoma.....	100.00		
First, Tacoma.....	1,300.00		
Immanuel, Tacoma.....	50.00		
Elim, Waterman.....	33.00		
Central, Yakima.....	400.00		
	\$6,118.00	Total.....	\$15,118.00

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

The net increase of communicant members of the conference for the year 1939 was 211.

The increase in communicant membership by certificate was 452, which is 163 more than during any other year during the past decade.

351 communicant members are entered in the column designated as "other losses." This is 193 more than during the previous year.

The number of pupils in Vacation Bible Schools during 1939 was 767, which was 248 more than during the previous year.

The total contributions of the conference was \$25,346 more in 1939 than in 1938.

The per capita contributions for 1939 were \$2.95 more for 1939 than in 1938.

The amount paid to the Pension Fund was \$152 less than for the previous year.

The cost of improvements on church property was \$14,416 more than in 1938.

The total indebtedness of the congregations increased by \$7,901.

The valuation of church property is given as \$24,885 less than for 1938.

CARL A. BENGTSON, Statistician

MISCELLANY

Resolved:

1. That the conference treasurer forward sufficient funds to the synodical treasury to cover the conference allocation for the fare fund and that the board of trustees take steps to collect this amount.

2. That if the fares of the conference delegation exceed \$250, an equal sum be deducted from each fare. The fare committee reported a total of \$280 for the delegation.

3. That the conference board be authorized to determine the place for the 1941 convention.

4. That the conference accept the invitation extended by First Lutheran Church, Tacoma, Wash., to hold its 1942 convention in said church.

5. That the president be authorized to fill vacancies in the synodical delegation.

6. That the Columbia Conference express its approval of the proposed action by the Augustana Synod to incorporate the Inter-mountain and Montana Mission Districts into the domain of the Columbia Conference.

7. That the treasurer be instructed to give the sextons of Trinity Church an honorarium of \$10.

8. That the conference express its sincere appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. J. Walton Kempe, to Trinity Lutheran congregation of Astoria, and to the superintendent and board of Columbia Hospital for their excellent hospitality during this convention.

9. That the secretary be requested to send greetings to Pastor C. E. Lindquist in Yakima, Wash., who is reported to be seriously ill.

10. That the conference supply each congregation with copies of the next issue of The Western Lutheran, carrying the reports of this convention.

11. That the president appoint a committee of three to cooperate with Mr. Otto Leonardson on plans for the observance of International Christian Stewardship Year in 1940. The chair appointed the vice president, secretary and treasurer.

12. That the conference board be authorized to approve the conference minutes for the sessions on April 27.

SALARIES

The salaries of the officers of the conference for the year were fixed at:

President	\$250.00
Secretary	125.00
Treasurer	300.00

ELECTIONS

Conference Officers

One-year term

President.....	Dr. Carl A. V. Lund
Vice President.....	Rev. C. S. Odell
Secretary.....	Rev. Elmer M. Johnson
Treasurer.....	Mr. Theodore Nelsson
Reading Clerk.....	Rev. Joseph C. Elmer

Board of Trustees of Conference

Three-year term

Rev. C. S. Odell	Mr. Carl O. Moberg
Rev. Elmer M. Johnson	Mr. Theodore Nelsson

Two-year term
Mr. N. E. Gustafson

Board of Trustees of Pacific Lutheran College

Three-year term
Mr. R. F. Engvall

The Western Lutheran Publishing Committee

Two-year term
Rev. Elmer M. Johnson

Trustees of Emanuel Charity Board

Three-year term

Mr. David E. Lofgren	Rev. Paul V. Randolph
Rev. C. S. Odell	Mr. Casper Paulson

Trustees of Emanuel Charity Board

Two-year term

Mr. A. C. Malmquist	Mr. Arthur Lind
Mr. A. L. Morland	Mr. J. L. Anderson

Committee on Christian Education

One-year term

Rev. J. Walton Kempe	Miss Dorothy Brown
Rev. J. Orville Martin	Mr. Norman Perring

SYNODICAL DELEGATION

Synodical Council

Dr. Carl A. V. Lund, ex officio
Mr. E. H. Johnson, delegate
Mr. Carl Erickson, alternate

Clergy

Delegates:

Rev. E. Arthur Larson
Rev. Carl E. Rydell
Rev. Joseph C. Elmer
Rev. E. J. Sakrison
Rev. Elmer M. Johnson

Alternates:

Rev. Roger P. Oliver
Rev. J. A. Martin
Rev. J. A. Edlund
Rev. C. S. Odell
Rev. A. L. Langhoff

Laymen

Delegates:

Mr. G. A. Olson, Spokane, Washington
Dr. R. W. Kullberg, Astoria, Oregon
Mr. J. L. Anderson, Hillsboro, Oregon
Mr. Martin Lundstrom, Colton, Oregon
Mr. G. L. Nordwall, Seattle, Washington

Alternates:

Mr. Emil Wersen, Burlington, Washington
 Mr. S. H. Swanson, Spokane, Washington
 Mr. V. Wm. Seeborg, Astoria, Oregon
 Mr. Rurik Eriks, Seattle, Washington
 Mr. R. D. Erickson, Bellingham, Washington.

**Order of Pastoral Delegates to Synod in 1941
 and Following Synods**

J. A. Martin	N. William Anderson
C. S. Odell	Axel E. Berg
J. A. Edlund	O. R. Karlstrom
Allan L. Langhoff	Carl A. V. Lund
Paul V. Randolph	Bernard Spong
Carl J. Renhard	Caryl V. Benson
A. G. Anderson	J. L. Milton Nelson
Carl A. Bengtson	Nels Norbeck
Reuben E. Norling	E. Arthur Larson
Philip C. Warmanen	Carl E. Rydell
J. Orville Martin	Jos. C. Elmer
J. Walton Kempe	E. J. Sakrison
Edward Eklof	Elmer M. Johnson
Harry W. Lundblad	Roger P. Oliver

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Ministerium

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 Larson, E. Arthur, 238 So. 55th Street, Tacoma, Wash.
 Lindquist, C. E., Rt. 2, Yakima, Wash.
 Lund, Carl A. V., 1005 Third Street, Mt. Vernon, Wash.
 Lundblad, Harry W., 817 West Powell, Gresham, Oregon.
 Martin, J. A., Rt. No. 1, Box 205, Warren, Oregon.
 Martin, J. Orville, 1000 Key Street, Bellingham, Wash.
 Nelson, J. L. Milton, 741 Ferry Street, Sedro Woolley, Wash.
 Norbeck, Nels, 431 Princess Ave., Vancouver, B. C., Canada.
 Norling, Reuben E., 103 Van Buren, Moscow, Idaho.
 Odell, C. S., 626 N. W. 19th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.
 Oliver, Roger P., 7318 Latona Ave., Seattle, Wash.
 Randolph, Paul V., 2947 N. E. 8th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.
 Renhard, Carl J., Colton, Oregon.
 Rydell, Carl E., 2401 N. Lawrence, Tacoma, Wash.
 Sakrison, E. J., Colton, Oregon.
 Spong, Bernard, 605 W. Chestnut, Yakima, Wash.
 Thunberg, Claes, Rt. 3, Olympia, Wash.
 Warmanen, Philip C., Rochester, Wash.

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 Secretary: Rev. Elmer M. Johnson, P. O. Box 232, Olympia, Washington.
 Treasurer: Mr. Theodore Nelsson, 1104 North 27th Street, Tacoma, Washington.

Board of Trustees of the Conference

Rev. C. S. Odell (Vice President)	Term expires 1943
Rev. Elmer M. Johnson (Secretary)	Term expires 1943
Mr. C. O. Moberg	Term expires 1943
Mr. Theodore Nelsson (Treasurer)	Term expires 1943
Rev. Carl E. Rydell	Term expires 1942
~~Rev. Reuben E. Norling~~	Term expires 1942
Dr. Julius G. Sture, D. M. D.	Term expires 1942
Mr. N. E. Gustafson	Term expires 1942
Rev. Carl A. V. Lund, D. D. (President)	Term expires 1941
Rev. Carl A. Bengtson	Term expires 1941
Dr. G. A. Magnusson, M. D.	Term expires 1941
Mr. E. H. Johnson	Term expires 1941

Executive Committee of the Conference

Dr. Carl A. V. Lund (Chairman)	Rev. Elmer M. Johnson (Secretary)
Rev. C. S. Odell	Mr. Theodore Nelsson

Finance Committee of the Conference

Dr. Carl A. V. Lund (Chairman)	Mr. Theodore Nelsson
Rev. C. S. Odell	Mr. N. E. Gustafson
Rev. Elmer M. Johnson	

Executive Committee of the Homes for the Aged

Rev. Carl E. Rydell	Dr. G. A. Magnusson
Rev. Carl A. Bengtson (Superintendent)	Mr. N. E. Gustafson

Executive Committee of Columbia Hospital

Mr. A. W. Norblad (Chairman)	Mr. Fritiof Kankkonen
Mr. C. O. Moberg (Secretary and Superintendent)	Mr. A. E. Engbretson
Mr. Henry Niemi (Treasurer)	Mr. Hans Bue
Rev. J. Walton Kempe (Chaplain)	Mr. Arthur Hemmingson

Trustees of Emanuel Charity Board

Mr. David E. Lofgren	Term expires 1943
Rev. C. S. Odell	Term expires 1943
Rev. Paul V. Randolph	Term expires 1943
Mr. Casper Paulson	Term expires 1943
Mr. A. C. Malmquist	Term expires 1942
Mr. A. L. Morland (Superintendent)	Term expires 1942
Mr. Arthur Lind	Term expires 1942
Mr. J. L. Anderson	Term expires 1942
Mr. C. H. Earl	Term expires 1941
Mr. Paul Palmblad	Term expires 1941
Rev. J. A. Martin	Term expires 1941
Mr. Knute Peterson	Term expires 1941

Members of Board of Trustees of Pacific Lutheran College

Mr. R. F. Engvall.....	Term expires 1943
Rev. Paul V. Randolph.....	Term expires 1942
Rev. Elmer M. Johnson.....	Term expires 1941

Members of The Western Lutheran Publishing Committee

Rev. Elmer M. Johnson.....	Term expires 1942
Mr. R. F. Engvall.....	Term expires 1941

Lutheran Students' Service Commission

Rev. Reuben E. Norling	Rev. Joseph C. Elmer
	Rev. Paul V. Randolph

Committee on Christian Education

Rev. J. Walton Kempe	Rev. J. Orville Martin
Miss Dorothy Brown	Mr. Norman Perring

Budget Committee of the Conference

- (1) The officers of the conference.
- (2) One pastor and one layman from each of the districts of the conference, said representatives to be elected by their respective districts.

Other Officers

Rev. Stanley Sandberg, Regional Director of Home Missions.
 Rev. C. J. Renhard, Colton, Oregon, Conference Historian.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Wednesday, April 24

2:00 P.M.—PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Discussion: "The Pastor and the Local Church," Pastor Carl A. Bengtson.
 Discussion: "The Pastor and the Church at Large," Pastor Carl E. Rydell.

7:30 P.M.

OPENING SERVICE—HOLY COMMUNION

Prelude, "Hour of Devotion".....Rathbun
 Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist
 Processional Hymn No. 317, "Beautiful Saviour".....Choir and Delegation
 Hymn No. 289, "Praise the Lord Each Tribe and Nation"
 Convention Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the World," 1 Corinthians 15:25 Pastor Carl A. V. Lund, D. D., President Columbia Conference.
 Anthem, "Open Our Eyes," (MacFarlane).....Trinity Church Choir
 Welcome Pastor J. Walton Kempe
 Hymn No. 477, "Come, Ye Disconsolate"
 Communion Address, "The Lordship of Christ in His Sacrament,"
 1 Corinthians 10:16.
 Pastor E. Arthur Larson
 Vocal Solo, "My Soul Is Athirst for God" (Gaul).....Mrs. William Seeborg

Liturgists:

Pastor Carl E. Rydell, Pastor Carl A. Bengtson.

Assistants:

Pastor Axel E. Berg, Pastor Reuben E. Norling.
 Communion Hymns Nos. 235, 234
 Recessional, "Beautiful Saviour,".....Congregation and Church Choir
 Postlude, "A Joyous Postlude".....Mallard

Thursday, April 25

9:00 to 9:30 A.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 294, 264.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Church," Ephesians 1:17-23.

Pastor J. Orville Martin.

9:30 to 12:00—BUSINESS SESSION

2:00 to 2:30 P.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 291, 655.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Individual's Life,"

Colossians 3:23-25

Pastor Edward Eklof.

2:30 to 5:00 P.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

7:30 P.M.—HOME MISSION FESTIVAL

Prelude, "Reverie" (Weike).....Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist

Hymns Nos. 163, 265, 216, 271.

Vesper Liturgists:

Pastors Joseph C. Elmer and Bernard Spong.

Anthem, "Rainbow Bridge of Prayer" (Christiansen)

Introduction of Speaker.....Trinity Church Choir
Address, "The Victorious Vision,".....Columbia Conference President

Pastor S. E. Engstrom, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Executive Director, Augustana Synod Home Missions.

Vocal Solo, "The Lord's Prayer" (Forsythe).....Miss Josephine Hill

Offertory, "Even Song," (Rockwell).....Miss Ethel Wicks

Recessional.....Congregation and Church Choir

Postlude, "Festal March," (Roberts).....Miss Ethel Wicks

Friday, April 26

9:00 to 9:30 A.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 545, 531.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Home," Acts 16:31-33

Pastor Philip C. Warmanen.

9:30 to 11:00 A.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

11:00 to 11:30 A.M.—MEMORIAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 601, 612.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in Death," Romans 14:7-9.

Pastor Carl J. Renhard.

11:30 to 12:00—BUSINESS SESSION

2:00 to 2:30 P.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 491, 568.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in Secular Life," 1 Corinthians 10:31-33

Pastor Elmer M. Johnson.

2:30 to 5:00 P.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

7:30 P.M.—WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FESTIVAL

Saturday, April 27

9:00 to 9:30 A.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 164, 567.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Community," John 17:14-19.

Pastor Caryl V. Benson.

9:30 to 12:00—BUSINESS SESSION

2:00 to 2:30 P.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymns Nos. 223, 436.

Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in Christian Education,"

Ephesians 4:11-15

Pastor Bernard Spong.

2:30 to 3:15 P.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

6:30 P.M.—FELLOWSHIP BANQUET

Toastmaster: Dr. Julius G. Sture, Gresham, Oregon

President Conference Brotherhood

Invocation.....	Pastor O. R. Karlstrom, Seattle
Dinner.....	
Community Singing led by Pastor Roger P. Oliver.....	
Welcome.....	Arthur J. Hemingson, Astoria
Songs.....	Trinity Lutheran Men's Octette
Toast to the Ladies.....	President Columbia Conference
Toast to the Men.....	President Conference Missionary Society
Vocal Duet.....	Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Hall, Astoria
Address.....	Pastor A. L. Langhoff, Spokane
Song.....	Men's Octette
Song, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds".....	Banquet Group
Benediction.....	

Sunday, April 28

9:45 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL

Addresses by Miss Edla Magney, Aberdeen, and Pastor J. L. Milton Nelson.

11:00 A.M.—MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude, "Largo" (Handel).....Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist
 Processional Hymn No. 163.....Trinity Church Choir
 Hymn No. 304.....

Liturgists:

Pastor Roger P. Oliver, Pastor J. Orville Martin.

Epistle, James 1:22-27

Hymn No. 140: 3

Gospel, John 16:23-33

Vocal Solo, "But the Lord is Mindful of His Own" (Mendelssohn)

Elizabeth Ogden, Astoria

Offertory, "The Pilgrim's Song of Hope" (Batiste).....Miss Ethel Wicks
 Hymn No. 306: 5

Sermon, "Whatsoever Ye Shall Ask in the Name of the Lord Christ"

Pastor N. William Anderson.

Anthem, "The Lord's Prayer" (Malotte).....Trinity Church Choir
 Hymn No. 350.

Closing Liturgy

Recessional, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

Trinity Church Choir

Postlude, "Festival Postludium" (Loud).....Miss Ethel Wicks

2:30 P.M.—ORGAN RECITAL

David E. Lofgren, Jr., Portland, Organist

3:00 P.M.—CONVENTION RALLY SERVICE

President of the Conference, Presiding

Prelude, Adoration from "The Holy City" (Gaul)

Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist

Processional Hymn No. 317.....Trinity Church Choir

Hymn No. 266: 1-2.

Scripture Reading and Prayer.....Pastor J. A. Edlund, Seattle

Vocal Solo, "Oh, Divine Redeemer" (Gounod)

Mrs. Arthur J. Hemingson

Organ, Violin and Piano Accompaniment

Offertory, "Romance" (Zitterbart).....Miss Ethel Wicks

Offering for the Columbia Conference

Hymn No. 265: 1.

Address, "Lead On, Oh King Eternal".....Pastor S. E. Engstrom

Executive Director, Augustana Synod Home Missions

Anthem, "Recessional" (De Koven).....Trinity Church Choir

Hymn No. 299.

Benediction.....President of the Conference

Threefold "Amen"

Recessional, "Onward, Christian Soldiers".....Trinity Church Choir

Postlude, "Marche Romaine" (Gounod).....Miss Ethel Wicks

MINUTES

of the

Twenty-sixth Annual Convention

of the

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

of the

Columbia Conference

at

Trinity Lutheran Church

Astoria, Oregon

April 24-28, 1940



MRS. J. A. MARTIN, *President*

MRS. C. R. SWANSON, *Secretary*



MRS. J. A. MARTIN
President
Woman's Missionary Society
of the
Columbia Conference



MRS. J. WALTON KEMPE
Convention Hostess
Trinity Lutheran Church
Astoria, Oregon

MINUTES OF THE 26TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE COLUMBIA CONFERENCE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Columbia Conference was held in Trinity Church, Astoria, Oregon, Rev. J. Walton Kempe, pastor. The business sessions were held in Grace Episcopal Church.

Convention theme—"Ye are my witnesses."

Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

Devotions—"Witnessing Through Love," 1 Cor. 13:1-3. Mrs. C. R. Swanson. Seating of delegates, appointment of committees, and roll call showing 33 delegates present.

Mrs. J. Walton Kempe, our hostess, welcomed the delegates and visitors, and Mrs. C. J. Renhard, vice president, responded.

Soprano solo—"Lord's Prayer" (Malotte), Mrs. Arthur Hemingson, accompanied by Mrs. J. Walton Kempe.

Greetings were given by Mrs. Theodore Gulhaugen of the N.L.C.A. and by Mrs. James Tofte of the Lutheran Free Church.

Soprano solo—"The Voice in the Wilderness" (Scott) Mrs. Joseph Elmer, accompanied by Miss Edla Magney.

Mrs. Carl E. Rydell brought greetings from the Tacoma District, and Mrs. J. Walton Kempe told of the work accomplished in the Portland District. Greetings were also brought from our national president through Mrs. Martin, conference president.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted, as was also the report of the auditing committee. A rising vote of thanks was given to Mrs. H. E. Tegelberg, treasurer, for splendid work. It was decided to send greetings to Mrs. Tegelberg, and also to the members of the auditing committee, Mrs. Harry Anderson and Mrs. Elsie Hessen, all of whom were unable to attend our convention. An offering was lifted for the Administration Fund.

Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

Devotions—"Witnessing Through Power," Acts 1:8—Mrs. Elmer M. Johnson.

Roll call showed 39 delegates present.

Reports were read by the department secretaries as follows:

"Willing to serve thru My Missionary for a Day," Mrs. Edward Carlson, Troy, Idaho

"Interesting Women to Subscribe to Mission Tidings," Mrs. C. A. Bengtson, Seattle.

"Telling Women of Our Poster Work," Mrs. H. E. Marsh, Spokane.

"New Literature with Gospel Messages," Mrs. Lars Larvick, St. Helens, Ore.

"Enlightening the House of Israel," Mrs. C. O. Moberg, Astoria, Ore.

"Serving Through Dime Books and Boxes of Blessing," Miss Edla Magney, Aberdeen, Wash.

"Securing Patrons for Industrial Work," Mrs. A. L. Langhoff, Spokane, Wash.

"Endeavoring to Reach Our 100% Organization in Each District," Mrs. Edward Eklof, Marshfield, Ore.

"Seeking 50% Membership in Conference," Mrs. Philip Warmanen, Rochester, Wash.

Mrs. J. A. Martin, president, then read her annual report. A rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs. Martin for her informative report as well as for splendid work.

The following motions were also made and carried:

That the reports of the Young Women and Junior secretaries be read at regular sessions as well as at their respective meetings.

That we purchase a mangle for the Girls' Home, Vancouver, B. C.

That the Senior societies in the conference contribute three dollars, the Young Women societies contribute two dollars, and the Junior societies contribute one dollar toward the mangle.

An offering was lifted for the Golden Jubilee Fund.

Vocal solo, "Thanks Be to God," Miss Julia Finden, accompanied by Miss Edla Magney.

A greeting was also brought by Miss Finden from the Girls' Home, and a report of Vancouver Home read by Mrs. Arvid Hawkins.

Mrs. O. R. Karlstrom gave a short history of the work of the Compass Mission, Seattle.

Mrs. C. A. Bengtson read greetings received from Mrs. S. E. Johnson, Assaria, Kansas, former Columbia president; Mrs. Olga E. Hawkins, president, Mt. Baker District; New York Conference Women's Missionary Society.

Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Devotions—"Witnessing Through Service," Acts 22:15, Mrs. E. Arthur Larson, Tacoma.

Roll call resulted in 32 delegates present.

Vocal solo, "Beside Still Waters," Mrs. William Seeborg, accompanied by Mrs. J. Walton Kempe.

The following reports were read and duly accepted:

Conference Historian.....Mrs. Axel Berg, Troy, Idaho
Conference Statistician.....Mrs. G. A. Carson, Spokane
Silver Jubilee Album.....Mrs. H. W. Lundblad, Gresham, Ore.

The Mt. Baker District was the winner of the membership banner.

The delegation adjourned to be present at the memorial service at the Columbia Conference session. This service was in memory of three pastors who were called to their heavenly home during the past conference year: Rev. C. Arthur Johnson, Rev. Joseph Anderson, D. D., Rev. Carl Rupert Swanson, D. D. The obituaries were given by Rev. Carl Renhard of Colton, Ore.

Friday, 1:30 p.m.

Devotions—"Witnessing Through Prayer"—Luke 8:30, Mrs. S. H. Swanson, Spokane.

Election of officers and department secretaries took place with Mrs. Carl E. Rydell presiding. Officers were elected by ballot and department secretaries by acclamation, resulting as follows:

President, Mrs. J. A. Martin, Warren, Ore.

Vice President, Mrs. C. J. Renhard, Colton, Ore.

2nd Vice President, Mrs. R. E. Norling, Moscow, Idaho

Rec. Secretary, Mrs. C. R. Swanson, 4804 Phinney Ave., Seattle, Wash.

Corr. Secretary, Mrs. Rudolph Shodahl, 5325 N. Williams, Portland, Ore.

Treasurer, Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg, 2306 Virginia Ave., Everett, Wash.

Statistician, Mrs. G. A. Carson, 4812 N. Smith, Spokane, Wash.

Historian, Mrs. Axel Berg, Troy, Idaho

Y. W. Secretary, Mrs. Edith Pearson, 205 S. 11th, Mt. Vernon, Wash.

Jr. Secretary, Miss Dorothy Brown, 2722 5th Ave. W., Seattle, Wash.

Literature Sec'y, Mrs. E. Arthur Larson, 244 S. 55th St., Tacoma, Wash.

Membership Sec'y, Mrs. Conrad Haggblom, 2146 N. 64th St., Seattle, Wash.

Industrial Sec'y, Mrs. Lars Larvik, 355 N. 6th St., St. Helens, Ore.

Calendar Sec'y, Mrs. H. W. Lundblad, 817 W. Powell Blvd., Gresham, Ore.

Mission Tidings, Mrs. C. A. Bengtson, 165 W. 65th St., Seattle, Wash.

My Missionary for a Day, Mrs. M. W. Anderson, 1130 26th Ave., Seattle, Wash.

Organization, Mrs. Edward Eklof, 337 Commercial Ave., Marshfield, Ore.

Dime Book and Boxes of Blessing, Miss Edla Magney, 719 West Third Street, Aberdeen, Wash.

Jewish, Mrs. C. O. Moberg, Astoria, Ore.

Exhibit, Mrs. C. H. Earl, 4642 S. E. Division, Portland, Ore.

Mrs. Rudolph Shodahl and Mrs. Elmer M. Johnson were appointed to purchase a gift for Mrs. Kempe, our hostess.

In bringing a greeting to the women, Rev. C. S. Odell, the newly elected vice president of the conference, thanked them for what had been accomplished during the past year. He also asked for a contribution toward the expense of the printing of the minutes.

A motion was made and seconded that we contribute \$100 toward the printing of the minutes. A motion was also made to give the janitor of the church where our business sessions were held \$3.00.

The offering was lifted for the Administration Fund.

The report of the conference Golden Jubilee secretary, Mrs. A. V. Anderson, was then read, and duly accepted. Mrs. C. R. Swanson, Tacoma District Jubilee secretary, presented the Jubilee goals in the absence of Mrs. Anderson.

The Columbia Conference W.M.S. Recommendations for 1940 were read and adopted.

It was decided to send greetings to the following: Mrs. S. E. Johnson, Assaria, Kansas; Minnesota Conference W.M.S.; New York Conference W.M.S.; Mrs. R. E. Norling, Moscow, Idaho; Mrs. Arvid Hawkins, Bellingham, Wash.; Mrs. H. E. Tegelberg, Everett, Wash.

This session closed with prayer, and the women were invited to enjoy a Christian fellowship hour at the Trinity parsonage. Mrs. J. Walton Kempe and the Trinity W.M.S. were hostesses. A splendid concert of instrumental and vocal selections was rendered. Delicious refreshments were served in the beautiful dining room.

Friday, 7:30 p.m.

The W.M.S. festival was held when the following program was given:

Organ Prelude "Elegie".....	Massanet
Processional—"Song of Joy".....	Stebbins
Hymn (No. 373 hymnal) "Speed Thy Servants".....	
Scripture and Prayer—Romans 10:14-16.....	Miss Julia Finden
Mission Tidings Song.....	Written by Mrs. R. P. Oliver
Violin Solos.....	Mrs. R. W. Kullberg, Astoria
Greetings.....	Columbia Conference President, Dr. Carl A. V. Lund
Mt. Vernon, Washington	
Columbia Conference W.M.S. Chorus—	
"How Greatly Thou Art Glorified" (Bortnionsky)	
Miss Edla Magney, Director	
Address—"Witnessing Through His Messengers".....	Rev. S. E. Engstrom
Minneapolis, Minnesota	
Offertory—"The Swan".....	Saint-Saens
Memorial Service.....	Mrs. Reuben Norling, Mrs. Joseph Elmer
Resolutions.....	Mrs. C. A. Bengtson
Benediction.....	Rev. J. Walton Kempe
Amen, Amen, Amen.	
Postlude, "Allegro Pomposo".....	Galbraith
Organist—Miss Ethel Wicks, Astoria.	

Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Junior Leader's Round Table

Mrs. Carl E. Rydell, Tacoma, Conference Junior Secretary

Devotionals—"Witnessing in the World," Mt. 28:19-20

Mrs. E. Arthur Larson, Tacoma

Annual Report.....Mrs. Carl E. Rydell

Talk on Jubilee Work for Juniors.....Mrs. C. R. Swanson

Display, also Talk on Junior Literature

Presentation of Problems by Junior Leaders

Discussion Period.

Saturday, 10:00 a.m.

Model Program by Astoria Juniors

(Skit portraying work among the migrants).

Song—"O Zion Haste Thy Mission High Fulfilling"

Greetings from Conference W.M.S. President, Mrs. J. A. Martin

Offertory

Closing Remarks..... Conference Junior Secretary, Miss Dorothy Brown
Seattle.

Saturday, 1:00 p.m.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Miss Esther Lillquist, Seattle, Conference Y.W. Secretary.

(Miss Julia Finden, presiding)

Devotional—"Witnessing Through Our Lives," John 15:27

Trio..... Dorothy Walker, Gertrude Mackey, Barbara Kempe

Jubilee Goals Mrs. C. R. Swanson

Discussion Period.

MRS. C. R. SWANSON,
Recording Secretary.TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
COLUMBIA CONFERENCE "1939"

RECEIPTS

Tacoma District

	Seniors	Young Women	Juniors	Total
Aberdeen	\$36.50		\$2.90	\$39.40
Auburn	67.87			67.87
Bethany, Seattle	184.58	\$29.20	15.00	228.78
Bethel, Seattle	80.10		21.00	101.10
Bethel, Tacoma	48.40		10.00	58.40
Emmaus, Seattle	81.84	63.53	14.00	159.37
First, Tacoma	127.02	60.96	33.28	221.26
Gethsemane, Seattle	291.60			291.60
Hoquiam	57.46			57.46
Immanuel, Tacoma	22.80			22.80
Olympia	55.20			55.20
Port Blakely	37.00			37.00
Rochester	29.38			29.38
Ruston, Tacoma, Jrs.			15.85	15.85
Yakima	95.71	19.75		115.46
	\$1,215.46	\$173.44	\$112.03	\$1,500.93
Offerings, District Meetings				\$49.55
Offerings, Y. W. Rally				6.61
My Missionary for a Day				2.50
For "Ads" Silver Jubilee Album				100.50

\$1,660.09

Portland District

Astoria	132.98	47.70	30.50	211.18
Augustana, Portland	261.17	243.08	55.44	559.69
Colton	84.60		3.00	87.60
Gresham	75.35	24.57		99.92
Immanuel, Portland	209.45	199.93	37.00	536.88
Ione	20.00			20.00
Marshfield	41.45			41.45
Mayger	3.00			3.00
Mist	36.50			36.50
St. Helens	59.56	7.00	8.50	75.06
Warren	102.48		34.48	136.96
	\$1,116.64	\$522.28	\$168.92	\$1,807.74
Offering, District Meeting				6.43
Anna Olson, Honorary Life Member				15.00
My Missionary for a Day				2.50
For "Ads" Silver Jubilee Album				80.00

\$1,911.67

Spokane District

Grace, Spokane	\$220.40	\$48.26	\$52.15	\$320.81
Salem, Spokane	253.33		48.55)	
Salem, Spokane Adelpha	5.00	10.00		311.88
Moscow	194.09	20.50	5.00	219.59
Troy	94.33		20.00	114.33

	\$767.15	\$78.76	\$120.70	\$966.61
Offerings, District Meetings				\$32.06
Offerings, Junior Rally				14.80
My Missionary for a Day				2.50
For "Ads" Silver Jubilee Album				45.00

\$1,060.97

Mt. Baker District

Bellingham	\$146.26	\$43.74	\$21.17	\$211.17
Clearbrook	61.56		18.41	79.97
Everett	134.70		9.30	144.00
Hartford	10.50			10.50
Mt. Vernon	199.85	99.60	14.28	313.73
New Westminster	58.80		19.00	77.80
Sedro Woolley, Juniors			50.75	50.75
Vancouver, B. C.	51.03	27.51		78.54

	\$662.70	\$170.85	\$132.91	\$966.46
Offering, District Meeting				\$7.50
Offering, Y. M. Rally				7.75
Offering, Junior Rally				4.35
My Missionary for a Day				2.50
For "Ads" Silver Jubilee Album				20.00

\$1,008.56

Total Receipts from Districts				\$5,641.29
Offerings, Conference Convention				116.40
Mrs. C. Anderson (On Loan)				5.00
For "Cuts" in Silver Jubilee Album				42.76
For Silver Jubilee Albums sold at Conference Meeting				25.25
Sold in Conference—India Laces				\$14.70
Bethphage Industrial				20.60

Received from Synodical Treasurer, Returns on 1938 Annuals 47.36

Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1st, 1939	\$5,913.36
	6.72
	\$5,920.08

DISBURSEMENTS

To Mrs. Otelia Swanson, Synodical Treasurer:

Annual Dues, Seniors, 1939	\$475.50	Africa Organ Fund	2.57
Annual Dues, Seniors, 1938	1.00	Offerings, Prayer Day	147.63
Annual Dues, Young Women	136.00	Leper Mission	2.00
Annual Dues, Juniors	134.75	Anna Olson's Salary	1,000.00
Sustaining Members	47.50	Hilda Anderson, Jerusalem	4.00
Sustaining Society	5.00	South American Mission	2.00
Life Members	60.00	Boxes of Blessing	174.89
Honorary Life Members	15.00	Treasure Chest	241.93
In Memoriam	80.00	Thank Offering Boxes	93.17
Inner Missions		Dime Books	102.86
Col. Conf. Home for		My Missionary for a Day	172.50
Aged	\$26.90	Christmas Cheer	63.36
Luth. Welfare, Tacoma	5.00	Interest, Building Specials	77.00
Oregon Student Work	10.00	Vancouver Girls Home	12.87
	41.90	Deaconess Institute	\$49.91
Home Missions	1,039.45	Immanuel Childrens Home	6.17
India Missions	36.10		56.08
India, Gossner Mission	43.57	Bethphage Mission	210.37
Golden Jubilee Fund	259.92	Zion Society for Israel	142.67
China Mission	45.05	Lutheran Bible Institute, Mpls.	1.00
China Hospital	5.00	Lutheran Compass Mission	43.96
China Relief	5.13	Migrant Mission	30.02
Africa Mission	36.10	Literature Fund	44.00
Africa Protege	30.00		

\$5,121.84

Money Sent direct:

Vancouver Girls Home for Frigidaire	\$219.00
Lutheran Compass Mission	5.00
China Mission, Leper Mission	6.00
Western Bible Institute	14.61

Pacific Lutheran College, Parkland	13.76	
Bethphage Mission	1.10	
Industrial Art Goods, Sold in Conference	35.30	294.77
		<u>\$5,416.61</u>

To Expenses at Conference Meeting, 1939, Portland, Oregon:

Mrs. Fred Jensen, Telegrams	\$3.24	
Mrs. J. A. Martin, Conference Expenses	3.50	
Mrs. A. L. Langhoff for Hostess Gift	3.00	
Tommy Luke, Corsages	2.00	
Mrs. Carl Rydell, Expenses for Memorial Service	1.80	
Mrs. J. A. Martin, Decorations for Luncheon	2.50	
Janitor Service	3.00	
Myllenbeck Printing Co., Printing Conference Programs	12.00	31.04

Mrs. C. Haggblom, Misc. Expenses Cor. Secretary	1.50	
Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg, Round trip to Conference	5.25	
Mrs. J. A. Martin, Round trip to Seattle and Round trip to Vancouver, B. C.	16.90	
Mrs. C. Arthur Johnson, Offering Conference Convention	18.66	
Mrs. O. W. Mattson, Postage for two years as "My Missionary for Day" Sec.	2.94	
Mrs. A. V. Anderson, Cost Jubilee Poster	3.00	
Myllenbeck Printing Co., for Printing Folders	9.18	
Myllenbeck Printing Co., for Printing 500 Jubilee Albums	232.26	
Black & King, Supplies, Mimeo. Paper, Ribbon, Journal Leaves, and Misc.	4.50	
Mrs. Effie Swanson, for Postage and Material, 1939 Recommendations	2.89	
Tommy Luke, for flowers for Mrs. Martin	2.00	
Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg, Postage, \$4.00; Allowance, \$25.00	29.00	
Mrs. J. A. Martin, Travel Expenses to Synodical Convention	52.92	
Mrs. J. A. Martin, Misc. Expenses, Postage, etc.	2.90	
Bank, for Service Charge, March, 1939	.62	

Balance on Hand, Close of Books \$5,832.17

87.91

\$5,920.08

Audited by:

(Signed) Mrs. Harry Anderson
Mrs. Elsie Hessen

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg, Treas.
Woman's Missionary Society, Col. Conf.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

"YE ARE MY WITNESSES." Is. 43:10

We are disciples of Jesus witnessing for Him in love, service, prayer, power and through our lives. As a missionary society we are constrained by the love of Christ to witness for Him through our missionary activities. We are happy over the reports from our four districts that Columbia has had a successful year. It is a blessed privilege for the members of the missionary society to witness for our Saviour, through efforts put forth in all branches of our endeavors. I want to leave a question with each of you, myself included, are we the kind of witnesses the Lord would have us to be?

Organizations

We rejoice that we have gained six new societies in our conference:

One new adult society—Mayger, Ore.

Three new Y.W. societies—Gresham, Ore.; St. Helens, Ore., and Yakima, Wash.

Two new Junior societies—Sedro Woolley, Wash., and Rochester, Wash.

Witnessing is Christ's method for winning souls and extending His kingdom. We wish our newly organized societies much joy in this work for the Master. The harvest is great and the laborers are few, therefore we need more missionary minded members, both old and young, to carry on this great task. We must encourage our Junior work. The Juniors are the workers of tomorrow. In Columbia we have: 36 W.M.S., 14 Y.W.M.S., and 24 Junior societies. We regret that statistics will state 22 Junior societies for 1939. The reason for this is that dues from two of the societies delayed in reaching the treasurer on time. Nevertheless we have 24 Junior societies, one permanent sustaining society and two contributing.

Membership

We have 1,223 women witnessing for Jesus, whom they know, gave His life on the cross for us all. Of these

- 951 are adult members, a gain of..... 53
- 272 are Y.W. members, a gain of... 31
- 539 are Junior members, a loss of... 80
- 1 Honorary member
- 6 Life members
- 8 In Memoriam

Those desiring to be sustaining members may be so by adding 50 cents to their regular dues. These monies are used for maintaining institutional work on the foreign fields.

Meetings

Societies which are not meeting every month are encouraged to do so. We need to meet often to witness for our Saviour, and to encourage others to do so. We need the quiet hour at our meetings. It gives inner joy which nothing else can give, peace in our souls and courage to witness for Him.

Mission Tidings

This year it is encouraging to know we have a gain of 107 new subscribers, but we also have a loss of 91, which means that the M. T. secretaries will have to try again to regain the delinquents. Could we not encourage a "Hold Fast Committee," consisting of the district secretaries? A M.T. secretary should contact and encourage members and especially those who do not care to have the M.T. any more. I think you have all heard the statement! We have 741 subscribers to report this year, a net gain of sixteen for 1939.

Home Missions

"Witnessing through America's Open Door." The new synodical Home Mission plan will receive annually \$25,000 from the synodical W.M.S. The Columbia Conference W.M.S. apportionment is \$1,039.45 for each year. This fund is to aid men, women and children to become witnesses for Christ. There are 52 per cent yet unchurched in our own land. Let us remember our Home Mission festival to be held preferably in March. We want to meet this annual obligation. It is our privilege.

Columbia's Protege

Columbia Conference is witnessing through its protege, Miss Anna Olson, missionary nurse. Miss Olson was made an honorary member at the annual Portland District meeting last February, or 1939. We want to remember her in our daily prayers and also assure her of our financial support, which is \$1.10 per member based on the 1935 membership.

Conference Administration

We solicit your support by remembering this fund, requesting 10 cents per member in order to witness and carry on His work. We do need funds in the Administration Fund.

Prayer Day

Prayer Day was observed by 30 societies. Five more societies joined this prayer chain during 1939. We invite all others to join this year. It would be wonderful if we could report 100 per cent witnessing through prayer on Advent Sunday. We need to come together to sing and pray, to thank and praise our Heavenly Father for His bountiful promises. Monday morning at nine o'clock a host of women meet for a moment of prayer. It gives new strength and peace to all who pause thus for a moment to start the work with a heart to heart talk with Jesus. If you have not as yet joined this group in prayer, will you not do so? "Jubilee

Goals" stress daily meditation and prayer. We read, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." We believe this and know that the Lord will answer our petitions, according to His will. The offerings lifted on Prayer Day provide salaries for two missionaries, Miss Edna Miller of Africa, and Margaret Hawkins of India.

Jewish Missions

The witnessing through the House of Israel by Columbia's women is very encouraging. Jewish missions are carried on by free will offerings. This year there was a notable increase in contributions. We ask you to continue this great work, that our neighbor, the Jew, will also find the Saviour we love. With more gifts, more workers can be placed in Jewish Mission stations.

My Missionary for a Day

It is encouraging to know that again 69 days were pledged this year. May we add more days to this growing department. Partnership service with missionaries at home and abroad is indeed a wonderful bond for service. There are six missionaries who serve for us, five on the foreign and one on the home field.

Dime Books

Dr. Betty Nilsson, Bhimavaram, India; Sr. Ingeborg Nystul, China; Miss Eleanore Lindbeck, Africa, are supported by this fund. Three new societies have been added to the dime books contributing societies, making a total of 21 for 1939. We encourage this fund. If you do not have your dime book, give your offering, The Adult and Y.M. Poster topic for this year is "Ten Dimes or Dime Books." Dr. Betty Nilsson will return to America this year. We hope it will be possible to have her visit our societies. When we hear directly from our missionaries it spurs us on to greater activity for the cause we love.

Lutheran Home for Women

The Girls' Home in Vancouver is serving its mission in caring for those who come to the home. It is an answer to our prayers. The number of women guests is not great. The Lord, however, does not consider members but hearts won for Him. This is done through the home and the Christian matron. Miss Julia Finden has been a real witness for Christ. "What ye have done unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me," says Jesus. This past year a large refrigerator has been presented to the home by the Conference W.M.S., Y.W.M.S. and Juniors, for which the matron and local board are very grateful. Many gifts have been sent directly to the home from individuals, for all we are very grateful and ask for your continued support.

Missionary Exhibit

We encourage the making of posters. We do remember so much better the things we see than what we hear. The poster topic for this year is, "Ten Dimes or Dime Books" for the Y.W. and adult societies and "Missionary Teacher" or "Education in Foreign Lands" by the Juniors. At this convention the posters will be judged. This is to inspire one another to become more interested in poster work. The synodical secretary sends out Poster Topics to the conference secretary, and she in turn to district secretary. If you do not have an exhibit secretary in your district, plan to elect one for next year.

Literature

If we can not witness for our Master in our own words we can turn to our missionary literature as well as our Bible. We should avail ourselves of the opportunity of using this free literature, as well as purchasing materials, such as skits, dialogues, poems and readings on our depart-

ments. There is much fine material for good programs. The program for 1940 "Women of the Bible as Witnesses" come in packets for 30c. This is valuable for any local chairmen or program committees. It is a complete program for each month of the year. You may procure them at headquarters if the local secretary does not have them on hand. There were 23 adults, 10 Y.M.S. and 12 Junior societies contributing towards the Literature Fund, which is \$1.00 per society.

Industrial

Due to continued disturbances across the sea we have not had the usual display of industrials from India, China and Porto Rico. We hope to have some laces and linens here at our Conference, also cook books and articles from Bethphage. Kindly remember to patronize our industrial booths.

Interest Building Specials

Contributions were made by 24 adult, 11 young women's and four Junior societies this past year.

Christmas Cheer

In order to spread Christmas cheer, individuals, missionary societies are urged to contribute to the cheer fund. This money is to be sent to the treasurer before December 1 of each year. It is divided between China, Africa and the Zion Society for Israel, also to the Compass Mission, Seamen's Mission, N. Y., and to Hilda Andersson's mission in Jerusalem.

Golden Jubilee Goals

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Columbia Conference is asked to assist the Synodical Missionary Society to gather \$50,000 in three years, 1939-1941. Our conference apportionment for three years is \$1,430, dividing this sum by three we have \$477 as an annual obligation for three years. If you have not been successful in raising your quotas through honorary, and life members or with gifts of \$10, it was suggested that each local society would contribute 42c per member based on 1938 statistics, and in that way raise local quotas. The district quotas are as follows:

Tacoma	\$151.00
Portland	157.00
Spokane	92.00
Mt. Baker	81.00

I regret that we did not reach our goal this year. That means that we must work harder next year. Columbia with such fine Christian women will reach the Golden Jubilee goal, I know. I have faith in you and know you will strive to do your share in this great missionary program. May each one of us return to our local societies to tell them about it and they in turn will tell others. We want 120 Jubilee workers in the conference. There should be one worker for every 10 members. This year we report 1,223 adult and Y.W. workers' sheets will be sent to the locals so that each worker will be given due recognition for her efforts. "In Memoriams" will be recognized on workers' sheets but not the contribution of \$10 as that goes to the retirement fund for retired missionaries. May we all be gripped by a holy passion for witnessing of the redemptive Gospel to Christ as the only remedy for the needy world.

Visiting Missionaries

This year we had the pleasure of having Miss Evelyn Stark, the new Y.W. promotional secretary, visit our conference. Miss Stark, youthful and full of enthusiasm, encouraged our young women to greater ambitions. We had Miss Edna Miller, Africa, to speak to 36 groups in our

conference. We know in hearing directly from our foreign fields gives more enthusiasm and creates new interests. Miss Miller is supported by Prayer Day offerings. We want to continue to give our whole hearted support to those who witness for us.

Offering Boxes

A gain of \$210.82 over last year's use of the offering boxes was realized which is very encouraging. More boxes were used.

20 Adult societies used Boxes of Blessing

14 Y.W. societies used Treasure Chests

16 Junior societies used Thank Offering Boxes.

Personally, I am exceedingly grateful to all who are assembled here, to those of the four districts who could not be here, and for the splendid cooperation in the Master's service. This past year has been a successful one for which we thank and praise God. I desire to express my appreciation for all the love and consideration for me during my recent illness, for flowers, for letters of love, cheer cards and other gifts received from the four districts. I humbly say thank you most sincerely.

May we join hands in witnessing for Christ our Redeemer that God's Kingdom may grow and that souls may be won for Him.

Yours in Him,

MRS. J. A. MARTIN.

Astoria, Oregon, April 26, 1940.

Resolutions

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Columbia Conference, assembled for our twenty-sixth annual convention at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Ore., hereby thank and praise our Heavenly Father for His many blessings to us as a society and as individuals during the past year and pray that whatever has been accomplished be to the glory of His holy Name.

We express a sincere thank-you to the officers of our conference society who have served during the past year.

We wish to thank God for the new societies that have been organized within our conference and ask His blessing during the coming years.

A hearty thank-you is expressed to all who have in any way contributed to our programs and especially to the Rev. S. E. Engstrom of Minneapolis, executive director of Home Missions of the Augustana Synod, our guest speaker, for his inspiring message this evening.

We give special thanks to the members of the Woman's Missionary Society, to Pastor and Mrs. J. Walton Kempe and to all the members of the Trinity Church who have so graciously entertained us during our stay here; also to the rector of the Grace Episcopal Church and their members for the use of their church.

We pray our Heavenly Father for renewed strength and courage to carry on the work of spreading abroad the light of His gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARL A. BENGTSON, Chairman

MRS. ERIC H. JOHNSON

MRS. CHAS. S. CARLSON

MRS. LETTIE MOORE

Resolutions Committee.

Columbia Conference Statistics, 1939

1. PORTLAND DISTRICT

Number	CONGREGATION (Corporate Name, Place and State)	Year of Organization	MEMBERSHIP																		Couples Married	SCHOOLS						Number
			NUMBER OF MEMBERS				INCREASE									DECREASE						SUNDAY			WEEK-DAY			
			Confirmed			Children	By Baptism			By Confirmation			By Certif.		Deceased		By Certificate		Other Losses	Teachers and Officers		Scholars		Days	Teachers	Scholars		
			Men	Women	Total		Mem- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Mem- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed			Children	Confirmed				Not Confirmed	
1	Immanuel, Portland, Oregon	1879	186	278	464	77	6	2	8	15	7	8	23	11	6		4		9	3	10	14	85	74			1	
2	Elim, Brush Prairie, Washington	1884	28	31	59	11		2		4	1				1						4	4	8	14			2	
3	Trinity, Marshfield, Oregon	1884	33	37	70	40		2					22	5	6				9		4	8		30			3	
4	Valby, Ione, Oregon	1886	14	14	28	15									1							4	4	20			4	
5	Bethlehem, Mist, Oregon	1886	4	4	8	5																					5	
6	Trinity, Gresham, Oregon	1888	71	63	134	48	5	7		8	7		10		5		7	3			2	12	28	43			6	
7	Augustana, Portland, Oregon	1906	191	265	456	127	4	2		2	1	3	14		3		6		6		14	18	25	129			7	
8	Bethany, Warren, Oregon	1907	76	78	154	46	2	1				1	3	1	2		1				1	10	16	34			8	
9	Carlsborg, Colton, Oregon	1907	63	58	121	23	3	3		5			2		2		1		2		1	8	10	25			9	
10	First, North Bend, Oregon	1908	10	12	22	15		2	1			1			1							4		18			10	
11	Eden, Elgarose, Oregon	1909	11	10	21	9		1							1												11	
12	First, St. Helens, Oregon	1924	30	46	76	36	1						3						3	5	1	9	8	63			12	
13	Trinity, Astoria, Oregon	1929	138	172	310	81	3	13	1	11	5	4	93	13	6	2	5	1			16	22	43	105	9	6	64	
Totals			855	1,068	1,923	533	24	47	10	51	21	17	170	30	35	2	24	4	31	8	49	113	227	552	9	6	64	

Number	CHURCH PROPERTY					CONTRIBUTIONS										TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS				NAME OF PASTOR	Number
	Church	Chapel	Parish House	Parsonage	Value	Indebtedness	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education		Charities	Pension and Aid Fund	Not Classified	Non-Synodical	Congregation		General	Congregation	Grand Total		
									Synod	Conference					Current Expenses	Improvements					
1	1		1	\$ 47,000	\$	\$ 301.15	\$ 102.64	\$ 48.04	\$ 113.79	\$ 36.95	\$ 221.50	\$ 386.27	\$ 11.16	\$ 5,054.29	\$ 1,232.95	\$ 1,221.50	\$ 6,287.24	\$ 7,508.74	C. S. Odell.....	1	
2	1			1,500		56.48	19.25	9.01	21.34	6.93	26.50	72.45	2.10	412.96		214.06	412.96	627.02	Carl J. Renhard.....	2	
3	1		1	11,000		51.61	5.13	2.40	5.69	1.85	21.50	19.31	.59	744.12	83.27	108.08	827.39	935.47	Edward Eklof.....	3	
4	1			800		19.57	6.66	3.12	7.42	2.40	14.00	25.11	.72	130.00	58.87	79.00	188.87	267.87	Ernst Sakrison.....	4	
5	1			500										1,192.93	839.74	405.10	2,032.67	2,437.77	Harry W. Lundblad.....	5	
6	1		2	20,000	8,165.00	165.89	25.65	12.01	28.45	9.24	57.50	96.57	9.70	4,107.21		1,809.46	4,107.21	5,916.67	Paul V. Randolph.....	6	
7	1		1	20,000		345.76	112.90	52.84	125.17	180.65	217.50	762.36	12.28	1,438.33	1,770.75	690.80	3,209.08	3,899.88	J. A. Martin.....	7	
8	1		1	15,000		174.15	36.44	17.06	40.40	27.86	67.50	287.78	39.61	1,438.33	1,770.75	690.80	3,209.08	3,899.88	J. A. Martin.....	8	
9	1		1	13,000	800.00	78.30	26.69	12.49	29.58	9.61	58.00	100.43	2.90	601.44	1,509.46	318.00	2,110.90	2,428.90	Ernst Sakrison.....	9	
10	1			8,000		6.32	1.54	.72	1.71	.55	10.59	5.79	.02	217.31	50.00	27.24	267.31	294.55	Edward Eklof.....	10	
11	1			3,500		9.03	3.08	1.44	3.41	1.01	12.50	11.59	.33	137.50		42.39	137.50	179.89	Edward Eklof.....	11	
12	1	1		6,000	650.00	54.46	10.26	4.80	11.37	3.69	18.00	146.72	1.15	1,275.42	434.95	250.45	1,710.37	1,960.82	J. A. Martin.....	12	
13	1		1	34,800	8,840.32	429.66	119.39	44.00	104.23	71.85	114.70	482.71	34.90	6,214.74	5,690.43	1,401.44	11,905.17	13,306.61	G. Walton Kempe.....	13	
	13	2	8	181,100	18,455.32	1,692.38	469.63	207.93	492.56	352.59	839.79	2,397.09	115.55	21,526.25	11,670.42	6,567.52	33,196.67	39,764.19	8.....		

2. TACOMA DISTRICT

Number	CONGREGATION (Corporate Name, Place and State)	Year of Organization	MEMBERSHIP																	Couples Married	SCHOOLS						Number	
			NUMBER OF MEMBERS				INCREASE						DECREASE								SUNDAY		WEEK-DAY					
			Confirmed			Children	By Baptism			By Confirmation			By Certif.		Deceased		By Certificate		Other Losses		Teachers and Officers	Scholars		Days	Teachers	Scholars		
			Men	Women	Total		Mem- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Mem- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed			Children	Confirmed					Not Confirmed
1	First, Tacoma, Washington	1882	273	392	665	114	5	11	3	11	15	7	36	12	11	6	48	12	23	33	21	225	10	5	55	1		
2	Gethsemane, Seattle, Washington	1885	366	413	779	125	4	3	3	2	6	3	9	2	12	5	24	22	23	88	78	10	3	16	2			
3	First, Rochester, Washington	1902	59	71	130	19	1	12	1	4	8	5	4	3			3	9	7	39					3			
4	Gloria Dei, Olympia, Washington	1905	71	109	180	26	2	9	2	2	7	6	12	9	1			33	10	5	72				4			
5	Immanuel, Tacoma, Washington	1906	12	18	30	20	1	1			5						9	4	2	4	3	27			5			
6	Bethel, Seattle, Washington	1908	63	75	138	51	2	4		2			3	11	1		22	5	7	6	70	9	2	12	6			
7	Ansgari, South Bend, Washington	1897																								7		
8	Saron, Hoquiam, Washington	1908	82	95	177	27	2	1	2	1	2	2	67		1	1	28	48	2	9	55	10	7	49	8			
9	Trinity, Aberdeen, Washington	1908	72	75	147	30	3	1		1	3	1	42			6	3	37	2	8	61	10	3	47	9			
10	Bethany, Seattle, Washington	1908	201	249	450	141	11	5		12	2		22	7	4		19	23	27	73	157	15	8	102	10			
11	Elim, Waterman, Washington	1908	7	9	16	15							6	1					4	22						11		
12	Emmaus, Seattle, Washington	1909	87	94	181	72	4	2		1		1	1				43	3	2	12	10	96			12			
13	Bethel, Tacoma, Washington	1914	29	31	60	49	1	5	1	2	6	6			2	1		7	8	12	12	76	10	3	38	13		
14	Bethany, Port Blakely, Washington	1913	31	27	58	21			1										2	7	30				14			
15	Messiah, Auburn, Washington	1924	26	38	64	29		3				4		2			3	4	5	7	4	26			15			
16	Central, Yakima, Washington	1926	105	148	253	66	6	7	2			4	19	4	4		1	23	10	18	21	97			16			
Totals			1,484	1,844	3,328	805	47	64	14	37	54	35	222	48	39	1	22	4	232	108	148	188	253	1,131	74	31	319	

Number	CHURCH PROPERTY					CONTRIBUTIONS										TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS			NAME OF PASTOR	Number	
	Church	Chapel	Parish House	Parsonage	Value	Indebtedness	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education		Charities	Pension and Aid Fund	Not Classified	Non-Synodical	Congregation		General	Congregation			Grand Total
									Synod	Conference					Current Expenses	Improvements					
1	1	1			\$ 137,053	\$ 44,625.00	\$ 661.84	\$ 284.82	\$ 57.65	\$ 150.30	\$ 59.01	\$	\$ 578.87	\$ 111.45	\$ 9,238.24	\$ 1,538.05	\$ 1,903.94	\$ 10,776.29	\$ 12,680.23	Carl E. Rydell	1
2	1			1	110,423	9,808.74	735.56	143.70	112.97	159.31	51.73	295.50	540.78	15.62	5,708.92	9,884.33	2,055.17	15,593.25	17,648.42	J. A. Edlund	2
3	1				2,000		45.17	15.40	7.21	17.07	5.54		57.94	1.67	2,063.42	1.71	150.00	2,065.13	2,213.13	Philip C. Warman	3
4	1		1		11,000	1,280.00	158.36	55.57	12.01	36.45	18.67		113.57	15.79	2,697.95	461.38	410.42	3,159.33	3,569.75	Elmer M. Johnson	4
5	1				3,750		6.03	2.05	.96	2.27	.74	17.00	35.72	35.00	311.84		99.77	311.84	411.61	E. Arthur Larson	5
6	1			1	10,000	72.00	148.59	50.55	7.20	17.07	21.69	55.50	72.94	1.67	1,504.36	140.65	375.21	1,645.01	2,020.22	Carl A. Bengtson	6
7	1																				7
8	1				19,085	11,836.00	53.04	26.41	2.20	5.21	3.69	10.00	19.83	6.51	1,662.14	111.56	126.89	1,773.70	1,900.59	Joseph C. Elmer	8
9	1		1		9,000	575.00	43.26	13.93	.48	3.14	2.37	79.75	9.86	3.11	1,690.46	164.51	155.90	1,854.97	2,010.87	Joseph C. Elmer	9
10	1		1		28,000	4,000.00	180.69	61.58	28.82	68.27	22.17	2.00	231.76	6.70	4,467.81	2,775.00	601.99	7,242.81	7,844.80	Roger P. Oliver	10
11	1				3,000		35.19	13.41	1.59	3.78	1.23	6.00	55.21	.37	291.18		116.78	291.18	407.96	Carl A. Bengtson, v. p.	11
12	1		1		25,000	1,307.45	208.49	98.99	8.34	19.79	27.69		38.72	1.94	1,821.30	369.94	453.06	2,191.24	2,645.20	Carl A. Bengtson	12
13	1				2,600		30.12	10.26	4.80	11.38	3.70	21.00	128.07	13.04	778.36	69.78	222.37	848.14	1,070.51	E. Arthur Larson	13
14	1				2,500		59.65	25.93	6.00	14.23	7.11	29.00	94.61	1.40	527.29	156.23	237.93	683.52	921.45	Carl A. Bengtson	14
15	1				6,500	300.00	34.65	11.80	5.52	13.08	4.25	38.89	135.72	18.28	678.47	116.00	262.19	794.47	1,056.66	E. Arthur Larson	15
16	1		1		14,516	2,750.00	151.01	116.05	19.21	45.51	14.78	189.16	154.50	4.49	2,752.66	762.10	694.71	3,514.76	4,209.47	Bernard Spong	16
	16	1	1	6	384,427	76,554.99	2,551.65	930.45	274.96	566.86	244.37	743.80	2,318.10	237.04	36,194.40	16,551.24	7,867.23	52,745.64	60,612.87	9.....	

3. SPOKANE DISTRICT

Number	CONGREGATION (Corporate Name, Place and State)	Year of Organization	MEMBERSHIP																	Couples Married	SCHOOLS						Number		
			NUMBER OF MEMBERS				INCREASE						DECREASE								SUNDAY			WEEK-DAY					
			Confirmed			Children	By Baptism			By Confirmation			By Certif.		Deceased		By Certificate		Other Losses			Teachers and Officers	Scholars		Days	Teachers		Scholars	
			Men	Women	Total		Men- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Men- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed		Children								
																							Children of	Children of					
1	First Lutheran, Moscow, Idaho	1884	85	119	204	67	3	2		5	1	1	1		4		2	1	8	1	5	10	9	52	15	4	27	1	
2	Westdale, Troy, Idaho	1880	50	47	97	26	2			7	3							4	9		1	11	21	53	10	3	71	2	
3	Salem, Spokane, Washington	1888	167	218	385	76	8	7	2	14	10	4	18	9	4	1	7	2	22	2	14	14	32	89	10	3	46	3	
4	Sion, Coeur D'Alene, Idaho	1905																										4	
5	Immanuel, Mullan, Idaho	1916			8	7	7	7	1			1										1	3		14				5
6	Grace, Spokane, Washington	1922	192	207	399	238	17	15	9	9	2	45	3	1	4	3	4	3	16	4	15	25	40	205	10	8	136	6	
	Totals		498	595	1,093	414	37	31	12	35	16	51	22	10	12	4	15	10	55	7	36	63	102	413	45	18	280		

Number	CHURCH PROPERTY						CONTRIBUTIONS										TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS			NAME OF PASTOR	Number
	Church	Chapel	Parish House	Parsonage	Value	Indebtedness	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education		Charities	Pension and Aid Fund	Not Classified	Non-Synodical	Congregation		General	Congregation	Grand Total		
									Synod	Conference					Current Expenses	Improvements					
1	1			1	\$ 23,500	\$ 800.00	\$ 241.26	\$ 145.43	\$ 11.21	\$ 28.45	\$ 21.24	\$ 105.00	\$ 96.57	11.58	\$ 2,874.12	\$ 365.47	\$ 660.74	\$ 3,239.59	\$ 3,900.33	Reuben E. Norling . . .	1
2	1			1	6,600		85.52	71.16	13.45	31.86	15.35	46.50	148.48	3.12	1,723.47	276.47	415.44	1,999.94	2,415.38	Axel E. Berg	2
3	1		1	1	35,000		478.05	92.38	43.23	102.51	38.26	185.50	347.64	60.17	3,503.72	154.37	1,347.74	3,658.09	5,005.83	N. William Anderson . .	3
4	1				1,600															Leslie Olson, Student . .	4
5	1			1	50,000	8,717.84	555.56	230.01	43.25	115.85	49.51	167.50	413.87	62.64	5,349.21	4,450.07	1,638.19	9,799.28	11,437.47	A. L. Langhoff	5
6	5		1	4	116,700	9,517.84	1,360.39	538.98	111.14	278.67	124.36	504.50	1,006.56	137.51	13,450.52	5,246.38	4,062.11	18,696.90	22,759.01	 4	6

4. MOUNT BAKER DISTRICT

Number	CONGREGATION (Corporate Name, Place and State)	Year of Organization	MEMBERSHIP																Couples Married	SCHOOLS						Number		
			NUMBER OF MEMBERS				INCREASE						DECREASE							SUNDAY			WEEK-DAY					
			Confirmed			Children	By Baptism			By Confirmation			By Certif.		Deceased		By Certificate			Other Losses		Teachers and Officers	Scholars		Days		Teachers	Scholars
			Men	Women	Total		Men- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Men- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children		Confirmed	Children		Confirmed	Not Confirmed				
1	First Lutheran, Bellingham, Washington	1892	72	109	181	91	4	3		2	2		15	2	3			6	8	14	17	16	93	10	6	61	1	
2	Zion, Everett, Washington	1901	74	86	160	38	4	11		6	4		10	3	4			12	6	6	12	15	72				2	
3	First, Clearbrook, Washington	1902	54	51	105	32	1	2							1			5	3	2	4	20	18				3	
4	First, Vancouver, B. C.	1903	30	35	65	20		2		3	6		4	6	1							7					4	
5	Immanuel, New Westminster, B. C.	1909	8	10	18	5																3		30			5	
6	Bethlehem, Sedro Woolley, Washington	1910	46	69	115	67	1		2	1	4	2	3	7	1					1	8	10	62				6	
7	Ebenezer, Hartford, Washington	1910	20	25	45	14	1	6													5	30					7	
8	Salem, Mt. Vernon, Washington	1913	170	225	395	158	6	2					6		5			10		21	13	35	95	10	2	43	8	
9	Immanuel, Edgcomb, Washington	1921	1	3	4																						9	
Totals			475	613	1,088	425	17	26	2	12	16	5	38	18	16			33	11	44	59	103	400	20	8	104		

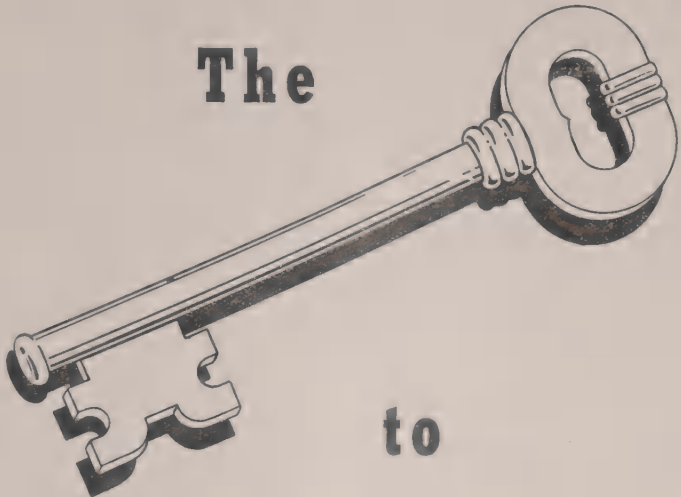
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	Church	Chapel	Parish House	Parsonage	Value	Indebtedness	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education		Charities	Pension and Aid Fund	Not Classified	Non-Synodical	Congregation		General	Congregation			Grand Total
									Synod	Conference					Current Expenses	Improvements					
1	1			1	\$ 8,500	\$ 1,324.00	\$ 127.14	\$ 32.29	\$ 15.11	\$ 35.80	\$ 11.62	\$ 77.50	\$ 125.54	\$ 13.40	\$ 2,501.61	\$ 92.85	\$ 438.40	\$ 2,594.46	\$ 3,270.68	J. Orville Martin.....	1
2	1			1	15,000		75.29	25.66	12.01	28.45	9.24	81.00	96.56	2.79	1,689.54	300.00	331.00	1,989.54	2,320.54	Caryl Benson.....	19
3	1				3,200		98.78	25.15	11.77	27.88	9.05	49.50	103.77	2.73	1,129.01	138.02	328.63	1,267.03	1,677.23	J. Orville Martin.....	19
4	1			1	17,000	12,460.00	23.31					21.24			1,395.03	87.56	44.55	1,482.59	1,505.90	Nels H. Norbeck.....	4
5	1				4,500	200.00	16.75					10.00			509.79	115.00	26.75	624.79	651.54	Nels H. Norbeck.....	5
6	1			1	4,500	77.00	53.63	49.65	2.17	5.15	15.67	10.00	17.48	10.50	377.00	1,175.00	164.25	1,552.00	1,716.25	J. L. Milton Nelson.....	6
7	1			1	3,500	50.00						29.50			271.33		29.50	271.33	300.83	Caryl Benson.....	7
8	1			1	50,000	9,281.39	412.58	135.86	58.42	145.94	55.25	196.40	553.26	10.88	3,816.70	385.35	1,568.59	4,202.05	5,710.64	Carl A. V. Lund.....	8
9					12,000																9
	8	1	2	4	125,027	23,392.39	807.48	268.61	99.48	243.22	100.83	475.14	896.61	40.30	11,690.01	2,293.78	2,931.67	13,983.79	16,915.46	 5	

SUMMARY STATISTICS, COLUMBIA CONFERENCE, 1939

Number	DISTRICT	No. of Congregations	MEMBERSHIP																			Couples Married	SCHOOLS						Number
			NUMBER OF MEMBERS				INCREASE									DECREASE							SUNDAY			WEEK-DAY			
			Confirmed			Children	By Baptism			By Confirmation			By Certif.			Deceased		By Certificate		Other Losses			Teachers and Officers	Scholars		Days	Teachers	Scholars	
			Men	Women	Total		Mem- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Mem- bers	Non- mem.	Adults	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed	Children	Confirmed			Not Confirmed					
1	Portland	13	855	1,068	1,923	533	24	47	10	51	21	17	170	30	35	2	24	4	31	8	49	113	227	552	9	6	64	1	
2	Tacoma	16	1,484	1,844	3,328	805	47	64	14	37	54	35	222	48	39	1	22	4	232	108	148	188	253	1,131	74	31	319	2	
3	Spokane	6	498	595	1,093	414	37	31	12	35	16	51	22	10	12	4	15	10	55	7	36	63	102	413	45	18	280	3	
4	Mt. Baker	9	475	613	1,088	425	17	26	2	12	16	5	38	18	16				33	11	44	59	103	400	20	8	104	4	
	Totals	44	3,312	4,120	7,432	2,177	125	168	38	135	107	108	452	106	102	7	61	18	351	134	277	423	685	2,496	148	63	767		

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									Synod	Conference					Current Expenses	Improvements																		
1	13	2	8	\$	181,100	\$	18,455.32	\$	1,602.38	\$	469.63	\$	207.93	\$	492.56	\$	352.59	\$	839.79	\$	2,397.09	\$	115.55	\$	21,526.25	\$	11,670.42	\$	6,567.52	\$	33,196.67	\$	39,764.19	8
2	16	1	5		384,427		76,554.99		2,551.65		930.45		274.96		566.86		244.37		743.80		2,318.10		237.04		36,194.40		16,551.24		7,867.23		52,745.64		60,612.87	9
3	5	1	4		116,700		9,517.84		1,360.39		538.98		111.14		278.67		124.36		504.50		1,006.56		137.51		13,450.52		5,246.38		4,062.11		18,696.90		22,759.01	4
4	8	2			113,027		23,392.39		807.48		268.61		99.48		243.22		100.83		475.14		896.61		40.30		11,690.01		2,293.78		2,931.67		13,983.79		16,915.46	5
42	1	6	21		795,254		127,920.54		6,411.90		2,207.67		693.51		1,581.31		822.15		2,563.23		6,618.36		530.40		82,861.18		35,761.82		21,428.53		118,623.00		140,051.53	26

Christ The to Stewardship



A Question Answered

"What can I do for the church?" exclaimed a young man to his pastor.

Well, you can manage to mention it in your conversation once each day, and in your silent prayers at night.

You can attend its services, loyally support at least one of its organizations, pay some amount willingly into the treasury weekly, be a reader of our Church papers, qualify yourself to explain its leading doctrines, be "out and out" in your loyalty to it, invite the unchurched and unsaved to its services (very important) and exhibit a hearty cordiality at its services.



The busiest Christian in the world can find time to do the above without at all neglecting anything more worthy. While on earth he will be happier, wiser, and more satisfied for the effort he has put forth.

Try it.

Form for Last Will and Testament

In the name of God. Amen.

I,.....of the city of.....in the County of.....and State of....., being of sound mind, memory, and understanding, but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life, do make, publish, and declare this my last will and testament in the manner and form following, that is to say:

FIRST. I direct and it is my wish that all my just debts, including funeral expenses and the expense of administration, be first paid by my executor hereinafter named.

SECOND. I give and bequeath to (stating full name of corporation) at (place), the sum of.....dollars, to be applied to (state what).

FOR REAL ESTATE. I give and devise to (stating full name of corporation) at (place), (description of property), (state purpose for which to be used, if any).

THIRD. All the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, of whatsoever kind and nature and wheresoever the same may be situated, I give, devise, and bequeath the same to.....to have and to hold the same as his (her or their) own and absolute estate for ever.

FOURTH. I do hereby nominate and appoint.....executor of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby revoke all wills by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name and seal this.....day of.....in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and.....

.....(Seal)
Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said.....as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names at witnesses thereto.

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Residing at.....

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Synodical Institutions

The above formula may be used by anyone wishing to make a will in favor of any or all of the following institutions:

- Augustana College and Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Iri.
- The Board of Home Missions of the Augustana Synod, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- The Immanuel Deaconess Institute, Omaha, Nebr.
- The Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Synod, St. Paul, Minn.
- The Swedish Lutheran Immigrant Home of New York City, N. Y.
- The Augustana Pension and Aid Fund, Des Moines, Iowa.
- The Augustana Foreign Missionary Society, Rock Island, Ill.
- The Columbia Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Augustana Synod of North America, Tacoma, Washington.
- Columbia Hospital, Astoria, Oregon.

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Of the Columbia Conference**

APRIL 25 - 27, 1940



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

ASTORIA, OREGON

J. WALTON KEMPE, PASTOR

Convention Theme:

"THE LORDSHIP OF CHRIST"

CONVENTION NOTES

The Trinity Congregation is Happy to Serve as Host to These Annual Conventions This Year. A Sincere Welcome is Given All Delegates And Visitors

Please register with our registrar, Mrs. Edith Elliott, upon arrival in Astoria.

All meals will be served in Trinity's church parlors. Noonday dinner at 12:10. Evening meal at 5:30 o'clock. Single meals will be: noon, 50 cents and evening, 35 cents. Purchase tickets before entering dining room.

On Thursday noon the delegation will "sit in" with the Kiwanis club, which meets in Trinity at that hour each week. The conference will give the program this week.

All the day sessions of the Women's Missionary Society will be held in Grace Episcopal church, one half block west of the Trinity church.

The outing on Saturday afternoon will be held, provided convention business will allow.

The Fellowship banquet is to be given Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Men and women invited. The registration fee includes this banquet. For others the price has been set at 65 cents.

Members of our reception committee will be on hand at all sessions to assist the visitors whenever needed.

Our own Columbia Hospital is co-host in this convention. You are invited to visit this institution during convention days and see what a fine plant we have. Mr. Carl O. Moberg, the superintendent, will be glad to give you the necessary information regarding such a visit.

The hymns used at the evening festivals and Sunday services are printed in this program. Carry your copy with you at all sessions. Do not ask for a second copy.

Our Luther League sponsors a stand for stationery, postage, candies, etc.

The church telephone is in the sacristy. Toll calls must be okeyed by our registrar.

The forenoon and afternoon devotional services will begin with organ music five minutes before the stated hour. Hymns will be announced by the hymn-board only. The hymns used at these services are not herein printed.

Ask the Luther League attendant about incoming and outgoing mail.

Read the Stewardship Message on last page of this program.

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

2:00 P.M.—PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Discussion: "The Pastor and the Local Church," Pastor Carl A. Bengtson.

Discussion: "The Pastor and the Church at Large," Pastor Carl E. Rydell.

7:30 P.M.

OPENING SERVICE—HOLY COMMUNION

Prelude, "Hour of Devotion" Rathbun
Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist
Processional Hymn No. 317, "Beautiful Saviour" Choir and Delegation
Hymn No. 289, "Praise the Lord Each Tribe and Nation"
Convention Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the World," 1 Corinthians 15:25
Pastor Carl A. V. Lund, D. D., Mt. Vernon, Washington, President Columbia Conference.
Anthem, "Open Our Eyes," (MacFarlane) Trinity Church Choir
Welcome Pastor J. Walton Kempe
Hymn No. 477, "Come, Ye Disconsolate"
Communion Address, "The Lordship of Christ in His Sacrament,"
1 Corinthians 10:16
Pastor E. Arthur Larson, Tacoma, Washington
Vocal Solo, "My Soul Is Athirst for God" (Gaul) Mrs. William Seeborg
Liturgists:
Pastor Carl E. Rydell, Tacoma, Wash., Pastor Carl A. Bengtson, Seattle, Wash.
Assistants:
Pastor Axel E. Berg, Troy, Idaho, Pastor Reuben E. Norling, Moscow, Idaho
Communion Hymns Nos. 235, 234
Recessional, "Beautiful Saviour," Congregation and Church Choir
Postlude, "A Joyous Postlude" Mallard

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

9:00 to 9:30 A.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymn No. 294, "Come, Sound His Praise Abroad"
Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Church," Ephesians 1:17-23.
Pastor J. Orville Martin, Bellingham, Wash.
Hymn No. 264, "The Church's One Foundation"
Benediction and Threefold "Amen."

9:30 to 12:00—BUSINESS SESSION

2:00 to 2:30 P.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymn No. 291, "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"
Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Individual's Life," Colossians 3:23-25
Pastor Edward Eklof, Marshfield, Oregon
Hymn No. 655, "Take My Life and Let It Be"
Benediction and Threefold "Amen"

2:30 to 5:00 P.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

7:30 P.M.—HOME MISSION FESTIVAL

Prelude, "Reverie" (Weike) Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist
Processional Hymn No. 163, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty,"
Trinity Church Choir
Hymn No. 265, "Thy Scepter, Jesus, Shall Extend"
Vesper Liturgists:

Pastor Joseph C. Elmer, Aberdeen, Wash., Pastor Bernard Spong, Yakima, Wash.
 Anthem, "Rainbow Bridge of Prayer" (Christiansen) Trinity Church Choir
 Introduction of Speaker Columbia Conference President
 Hymn No. 216: 1-2, "O Word of God Incarnate"
 Address, "The Victorious Vision," Pastor S. E. Engstrom, Minneapolis, Minnesota
 Executive Director, Augustana Synod Home Missions.
 Vocal Solo, "The Lord's Prayer" (Forsythe) Miss Josephine Hill
 Offertory, "Even Song," (Rockwell) Miss Ethel Wicks
 Hymn No. 271, "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"
 Closing Vesper Service
 Recessional, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again,"
 Congregation and Church Choir
 Postlude, "Festal March," (Roberts) Miss Ethel Wicks

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

9:00 to 9:30 A.M.—Devotional Service

Hymn No. 545, "Again Thy Glorious Sun Doth Rise"
 Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Home," Acts 16:31-33
 Pastor Philip C. Warmanen, Rochester, Washington
 Hymn No. 531, "O Blest the House, Whate'er Befall"
 Benediction and Threefold "Amen"

9:30 to 11:00 A.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

11:00 to 11:30 A.M.—MEMORIAL SERVICE

Hymn No. 601, "Fade, Fade, Each Earthly Joy."
 Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in Death," Romans 14:7-9.
 Pastor Carl J. Renhard, Colton, Oregon
 Hymn No. 612, "Wake, Arise! A Voice Appalling"
 Benediction and Threefold "Amen"

11:30 to 12:00—BUSINESS SESSION

2:00 to 2:30 P.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymn No. 491, "Jesus is My Joy, My All."
 Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in Secular Life," 1 Corinthians 10:31-33
 Pastor Elmer M. Johnson, Olympia, Washington
 Hymn No. 568, "Before the Lord We Bow"
 Benediction and Threefold "Amen"

2:30 to 5:00 P.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

7:30 P.M.—WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FESTIVAL

Prelude, "Elegie" (Massenet) Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist
 Processional, "Song of Joy, (Stebbins)
 Hymn No. 373, "Speed Thy Servants"
 Scripture (Romans 10:14-16) and Prayer Miss Julia Finden
 Mission-Tiding Song (Page 8, Silver Album) by Mrs. Roger P. Oliver, Seattle
 Presentation of Conference Banner Mrs. Paul V. Randolph, Portland
 Violin Solo Mrs. R. W. Kullberg, Astoria
 Greetings Columbia Conference President
 Columbia Conference W. M. S. Chorus
 (a) "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" (Rathbun)
 (b) "How Greatly Thou Art Glorified" (Bortnionsky)
 Miss Edla Magney, Aberdeen, Director

Address, "Witnessing Through His Messengers," Pastor S. E. Engstrom
 Executive Director, Augustana Synod Home Missions
 Offertory, "The Swan," (Saint Saens) Miss Ethel Wicks
 Memorial Service The Mesdames Reuben E. Norling and Joseph C. Elmer
 Resolutions Mrs. Conrad Haggblom
 Benediction Pastor J. Walton Kempe
 Threefold "Amen"
 Postlude, "Allegro Pomoso" (Galbraith) Miss Ethel Wicks

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

9:00 to 9:30 A.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymn No. 164, "Come, Thou Almighty King"
 Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in the Community," John 17:14-19
 Pastor Caryl V. Benson, Everett, Washington
 Hymn No. 567, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"
 Benediction and Threefold "Amen"

9:30 to 12:00—BUSINESS SESSION

2:00 to 2:30 P.M.—DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

Hymn No. 223, "How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts"
 Sermon, "The Lordship of Christ in Christian Education," Ephesians 4:11-15
 Pastor Bernard Spong, Yakima, Washington
 Hymn No. 436, "God Loved Our Erring Mortal Race"
 Benediction and Threefold "Amen"

2:30 to 3:15 P.M.—BUSINESS SESSION

3:15 P.M.—CONVENTION OUTING

(Provided Time Allows)

6:30 P.M.—FELLOWSHIP BANQUET

Toastmaster: Dr. Julius G. Sture, Gresham, Oregon

President Conference Brotherhood

Invocation Pastor O. R. Karlstrom, Seattle
 Dinner
 Community Singing led by Pastor Roger P. Oliver
 Welcome Arthur J. Hemingson, Astoria
 Songs Trinity Lutheran Men's Octette
 Toast to the Ladies President Columbia Conference
 Toast to the Men President Conference Missionary Society
 Vocal Duet Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Hall, Astoria
 Address Pastor A. L. Langhoff, Spokane
 Song Men's Octette
 Song, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" Banquet Group
 Benediction

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

9:45 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL

Primary and Beginners Will Meet in the Downstairs Auditorium

Address by Miss Edla Magney, Aberdeen

Junior, Senior and Adults Will Meet in Church Auditorium

Address by Pastor J. L. Milton Nelson, Sedro Wooley, Washington

11:00 A.M.—MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude, "Largo" (Handel) Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist
Processional Hymn No. 163, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" Trinity Church Choir

Hymn No. 304, "Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare"

Liturgists:

Pastor Roger P. Oliver, Seattle, Pastor J. Oliver Martin, Bellingham

Easter Intonations used in the Liturgical Responses

Call to Worship and Confession of Sins

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis

Laudamus and Salutations

Collect Prayer

Epistle, James 1:22-27

Hymn No. 140: 3, "In the Holy Father's Keeping"

Gospel, John 16:23-33

The Apostles' Creed

Vocal Solo, "But the Lord is Mindful of His Own" (Mendelssohn)

Elizabeth Ogden, Astoria

Offertory, "The Pilgrim's Song of Hope" (Batiste) Miss Ethel Wicks

Hymn No. 306:5, "Speak, O God, and I Will Hear Thee"

Sermon, "Whatsoever Ye Shall Ask in the Name of the Lord Christ"

Pastor N. William Anderson, Spokane

Anthem, "The Lord's Prayer" (Malotte) Trinity Church Choir

Hymn No. 350, "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Salutations and Convention Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Benedicamus and Benediction

Threefold "Amen"

Recessional, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" Trinity Church Choir

Postlude, "Festival Postludium (Loud)" Miss Ethel Wicks

2:30 P.M.—ORGAN RECITAL

David E. Lofgren, Jr., Portland, Organist

3:00 P.M.—CONVENTION RALLY SERVICE

President of the Conference, Presiding

Prelude, Adoration from "The Holy City" (Gaul) Miss Ethel Wicks, Organist

Processional Hymn No. 317, "Beautiful Saviour" Trinity Church Choir

Hymn No. 266: 1-2, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Scripture Reading and Prayer Pastor J. A. Edlund, Seattle

Vocal Solo, "Oh, Divine Redeemer" (Gounod) Mrs. Arthur J. Hemingson

Organ, Violin and Piano Accompaniment

Offertory, "Romance" (Zitterbart) Miss Ethel Wicks

Offering for the Columbia Conference

Hymn, No. 265: 1, "Thy Scepter, Jesus, Shall Extend"

Address, "Lead On, Oh King Eternal," Pastor S. E. Engstrom

Executive Director, Augustana Synod Home Missions

Anthem, "Recessional" (De Koven) Trinity Church Choir

Hymn No. 299, "Now Thank We All Our God"

Benediction	President of the Conference
Threefold "Amen"	
Recessional, "Onward, Christian Soldiers,"	Trinity Church Choir
	Congregation remains until verse is sung
Postlude, "Marche Romaine" (Gounod)	Miss Ethel Wicks
The following conference pastors are serving as guest preachers in other Astoria churches Convention-Sunday morning:	
Bethany Lutheran	Pastor Axel E. Berg, Troy, Idaho
First Baptist	Pastor Elmer M. Johnson, Olympia, Washington
First Christian	Pastor Caryl V. Benson, Everett, Washington
First Methodist	Pastor Reuben E. Norling, Moscow, Idaho
First Presbyterian	Pastor Philip C. Warmanen, Rochester, Washington



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	Mrs. E. F. Hedeon
Conference Delegate	John E. Wicks

Hymns

No. 140:3

In the holy Father's keeping,
Jesus, I will pray Thy prayer.
Holy Father, wilt Thou take me?
Wilt Thou guard, protect me there?
By the prayer that Jesus offered,
By His cross, His blood, His love,
Take me to Thy realms above.

No. 216

O WORD of God Incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky;
We praise Thee for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age.

The church from her dear Master
Received the gift divine,
And still that light she lifteth
O'er all the earth to shine.
It is the golden casket
Where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heaven-drawn picture
Of Christ, the living Word.

No. 234

The death of Jesus Christ, our Lord,
We celebrate with one accord;
It is our comfort in distress,
Our heart's sweet joy and happiness.

He blotted out with His own blood
The judgment that against us stood;
He full atonement for us made,
And all our debt He fully paid.

That this is so and ever true
He gives an earnest, ever new,
In this His holy Supper, here
We taste His love so sweet, so near.

For His true body, as He said,
And His true blood, for sinners shed,
In this communion we receive:
His sacred Word we do believe.

A precious food is this indeed,
It never faileth; such we need,
A heavenly manna for our soul,
Until we safely reach our goal.

Then blest is every worthy guest
Who in this promise findeth rest,
For Jesus will in love abide
With those who do in Him confide.

No. 235

THINE own, O loving Saviour,
Thou bidst come near to Thee,
Thy passion's fruits, Thy favor,
Thy grace, Thou givest free
To them who by Thy grace and love
Are members of Thy kingdom
Now here, and there above.

To us on earth still dwelling
Thou dost descend to give,
In love all love excelling,
Thyself that we may live,
And sayest ever kind and good:
"Take, eat, this is My body,
Take, drink, this is My blood."

We hear Thine invitation;
We hear, O Lord, Thy call,
The word of consolation,
It is for us, for all;
It draws us to Thy loving heart,
It brings to us Thy blessing,
It does Thy peace impart.

Thy heart in all anguish
A refuge to the poor,
Thy heart for us did languish,
And bitter death endure.
Thy heart yet filled with peace and rest,
With comfort and salvation
Draws near to every breast.

Thou still in loving favor
To us, Thine own, art near,
To lead us as our Saviour
Unto a Father dear,
A Father willing to forgive
The children Thou didst ransom,
And who through Thee shall live.

We are Thine own forever,
Until our latest breath,
Will we be true, and never
In joy, in grief, in death,
Depart from Thee; for Thou always
Art present with Thy people
As Thine own promise says.

No. 265

THY scepter, Jesus, shall extend
As far as day prevaileth;
Thy glorious kingdom, without end,
Shall stand when all else faileth.
Thy blessed Name shall be confessed,
And round Thy cross, forever blest,
Shall kings and people gather.

The child when born to Thee we take,
To Thee in death we hasten;
In joy we often Thee forsake,
But not when sorrows chasten.
Where truth and virtue are oppressed,
Where sorrow dwells, pain and unrest,
Thy help alone availeth.

Come, Jesus, then, in weal and woe,
In life and death be near us;
Thy grace upon our hearts bestow,
And let Thy Spirit cheer us.
For every conflict strength afford,
And gather us in peace, O Lord,
When all the world Thou judgest.

No. 266

A Mighty Fortress is our God,
A trusty Shield and Weapon;
He helps us in our every need
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old malignant foe
E'er means us deadly woe;
Deep guile and cruel might
Are his dread arms in fight,
On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done,
Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One
Whom God Himself elected.
Ask we who this may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He,
As Lord of Hosts adored,
Our only King and Lord,
He holds the field forever.

No. 271

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He whose Word can not be broken
Formed thee for His own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply they sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.

Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage,
Grace, which, like the Lord, the Giver,
Never fails from age to age?

Saviour, if of Zion's city
I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy Name.
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know.

No. 289

PRAISE the Lord, each tribe and nation,
Praise Him with a joyous heart:
Ye who know His full salvation,
Gather now from every part;
Let your voices glorify,
In His temple, God on high.

He's our God and our Creator,
We, His flock and chosen seed:
He, our Lord and Liberator,
Us from sin and peril freed;
And at last His flock shall rest
In the mansions of the blest.

Magnify Him in His Portals;
In the courts his deeds proclaim;
Hither come, ye ransomed mortals,
Glorify our Saviour's Name.
Ever kind and loving, He
Keeps His faith eternally.

No. 299

NOW thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom His earth rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

Oh! may this bounteous God,
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts,
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills,
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven;
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

No. 304

COME, my soul, thy suit prepare,
Jesus loves to answer prayer:
He Himself has bid thee pray,
Therefore will not say thee nay.

Thou art coming to a King;
Large petitions with thee bring;
For His grace and power are such
None can ever ask too much.

With my burden I begin;
Lord, remove this load of sin:
Let Thy blood for sinners spilt,
Set my conscience free from guilt.

Lord, I come to Thee for rest,
Take possession of my breast;
There Thy blood-bought right maintain,
And without a rival reign.

While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer:
As my Guide, my Guard, my Friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.

Show me what I have to do,
Every hour my strength renew:
Let me live a life of faith,
Let me die Thy people's death.

No. 306

Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee,
Let Thy will be done indeed;
May I undisturbed draw near Thee
While Thy people Thou dost feed:
Here of life the fountain flows,
Here is balm for all our woes.

No. 317

Beautiful Saviour!
King of Creation!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee,
Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

Fair are the meadows,
Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flowers of blooming spring;
Jeseus is fairer,
Jesus is purer;
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine,
Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Saviour!
Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
Praise, adoration,
Now and for evermore be Thine!

No. 350

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known;
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
Thy wings shall my petitions bear
To Him whose truth and faithfulness
Engage the waiting soul to bless;
And since He bids me seek His face,
Believe His Word, and trust His grace,
I'll cast on Him my every care,
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
May I thy consolation share,
Till from Mount Pisgah's lofty height
I view my home and take my flight;
This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise
To seize the everlasting prize;
And shout, while passing through the air,
Farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer.

No. 477

COME, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish;
Come to the mercy-seat, fervently kneel;
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell
your anguish;
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot
heal.

Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
Hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot
cure.

Here see the Bread of Life; see waters flowing
Forth from the throne of God, pure from
above;
Come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing
Earth has no sorrow but heaven can
remove.

THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

will give

A clearer understanding of the progress of the church

A more even distribution of the work of the congregation

A more sympathetic attitude of mind and heart
Increased regular attendance—a churchgoing congregation

Cheerful and generous workers—more and better co-operation

A growing spirit of Christian fellowship

New prospects, new members, new workers

More regular and systematic financial support

THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

offers many members a definite opportunity to serve our Lord in The Building of the Church. The churches making use of this opportunity are usually the ones that accept their allocations and report all obligations paid in full.

It is a source of real gratification that the envelope system is gradually being introduced to our rural congregations. Eventually we hope to see every member in the Augustana Synod use the weekly envelopes.

Just a reminder that 1940 is designated as Stewardship Year.

All I have is a Trust from God.

Shall I use it for His Glory?

STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT.

Proposed

SYNODICAL BENEVOLENCE BUDGET

For the Year 1942

PROPOSED BENEVOLENCE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1942

AUGUSTANA COLLEGE

1942-43

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

(1) EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL

1. General Administration and Expense

a. General Administration

President's Office	\$ 5,350.00
Comptroller's Office	7,000.00
Dean's Office	2,800.00
Dean of Women's Office	2,000.00
Registrar's Office	3,700.00
Directors and Committees	1,200.00
Pensions to Former Presidents	1,000.00
Pensions and Annuities to College Faculty	6,800.00
Alumni Office	4,000.00
	\$ 33,850.00

b. General Expense

Telephone and Postage	\$ 2,200.00
Traveling Expense	700.00
Stationery and Printing	750.00
Stationery and Printing—Bulletins and Catalogs	1,700.00
Office Supplies	600.00
Student Solicitation	1,000.00
Liability Insurance	1,000.00
Advertising and Publicity	1,000.00
Association Dues	250.00
Auditing Fee	425.00
Miscellaneous Expense	900.00
	10,525.00

\$ 44,375.00

Less: Apportionment to Seminary..... 4,500.00

\$ 39,875.00

2. Instructional and Research

a. College of Liberal Arts

Salaries	\$ 81,000.00
Laboratory Expense	3,300.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
	\$ 84,800.00

b. School of Music

Salaries	\$ 8,000.00
Commissions	2,000.00
Advertising and Printing	240.00
Tuning and Repairing	500.00
Secretary	960.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
	11,800.00

c. Summer School

Salaries	\$ 5,000.00
Expense	200.00
	5,200.00

d. <i>Evening School</i>			
Salaries	\$ 3,000.00		
Expense	100.00		
		3,100.00	
			104,900.00
3. <i>General Library</i>			
Salaries	\$ 6,000.00		
Books and Periodicals	4,500.00		
Miscellaneous	300.00		
		10,800.00	
Less: Apportionment to Seminary:			
Salaries	\$ 1,500.00		
Books and Periodicals	1,000.00		
		2,500.00	
			8,300.00
4. <i>Operation and Maintenance of Physical Plant</i>			
Janitors' Salaries	\$ 7,500.00		
Student Janitors' Salaries	1,000.00		
Janitors' Supplies	1,000.00		
Automobile	325.00		
Heating Plant:			
Salaries	\$ 3,000.00		
Coal	5,500.00		
Miscellaneous	1,000.00		
	\$ 9,500.00		
Less: Allocated to Men's Dormitory	1,500.00		
		8,000.00	
Light and Power	2,500.00		
Water	500.00		
Care and Maintenance of Grounds	2,000.00		
Building Repairs and Renewals	3,000.00		
Property Insurance	600.00		
Miscellaneous	100.00		
	\$ 26,525.00		
Less: Apportionment to Seminary	4,500.00		
			22,025.00
(2) <i>AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES</i>			
1. Dining Halls and Dormitories	\$ 60,000.00		
2. College Post Office	200.00		
3. Athletics	9,500.00		
4. Augustana Observer	2,500.00		
5. Oratorio Society	1,200.00		
6. Rocketry-I	2,200.00		
7. Choir	5,000.00		
8. Lecture Course	800.00		
9. Forensics Fund	950.00		
10. Contingent Fund	900.00		
11. Health Service	950.00		
12. Motion Picture Fund and Dramatic Fund	300.00		
13. Music Concert Series	1,000.00		
14. Band and Orchestra	800.00		
			86,300.00
(3) <i>OTHER NON-EDUCATIONAL</i>			
Scholarships Granted	\$ 1,000.00		
Annuities	800.00		

Interest Expense	3,900.00	
Institutional Real Estate	500.00	
		6,200.00
		\$267,600.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

(1) EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL

1. *Student Fees:*

College Tuition—Gross Billing	\$ 90,000.00	
Less: Scholarships and Lutheran Credits....	12,000.00	
		\$ 78,000.00
Laboratory Fees		3,500.00
Diploma Fees		1,000.00
Matriculation Fees		1,200.00
School of Music Tuition		8,700.00
Evening School Tuition		3,500.00
Summer School Tuition		6,000.00
Private Work and Examination		100.00
		\$101,800.00

2. *Endowment Income:*

General Endowment Income—Net..	\$ 38,000.00	
Wallberg Science Building and Endowment Fund	12,000.00	
Wallberg Pension & Annuity Fund	1,500.00	
		\$ 51,500.00
Less: Real Estate Depreciation	5,000.00	
		46,500.00

3. *Other Sources*

Student Tuition Interest	\$ 200.00	
Musical Instrument Rentals	800.00	
Rent of Institutional Real Estate	1,000.00	
Miscellaneous Income	500.00	
		2,500.00

(2) AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES

1. Dining Halls and Dormitories	\$ 60,000.00	
2. College Post Office	200.00	
3. Athletics	9,500.00	
4. Augustana Observer	2,500.00	
5. Oratorio Society	1,500.00	
6. Rocketry-I	2,200.00	
7. Choir	5,000.00	
8. Lecture Course	800.00	
9. Forensics Fund	950.00	
10. Contingent Fund	900.00	
11. Health Service	950.00	
12. Motion Picture and Dramatic Department....	300.00	
13. Music Concert Series	1,000.00	
		85,800.00

(3) OTHER NON-EDUCATIONAL

Scholarship Fund	1,000.00	
		\$237,600.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation.....	30,000.00	
		\$267,600.00

AUGUSTANA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

(1) EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL

1. General Administration and Expense

Dean's Office	\$ 1,200.00	
Apportioned Charges	4,500.00	
Miscellaneous	200.00	
Pension and Annuity Payments to Seminary Faculty	1,700.00	
	<u>\$</u>	7,600.00

2. Instruction and Research

Salaries	\$ 17,800.00	
Miscellaneous Extra Salaries (Professors' Sabbatical Leaves)	500.00	
	<u></u>	18,300.00

3. Library

Salaries	\$ 600.00	
Special for Synodical Archives	600.00	
Salaries and Expenses Apportioned	1,500.00	
Books and Periodicals Apportioned	1,000.00	
	<u></u>	3,700.00

4. Operation and Maintenance of Physical Plant

Janitors—Chapel	\$ 250.00	
Repairs	800.00	
Miscellaneous	100.00	
Apportioned Charges	1,500.00	
Equipment, New & Replacements and Repairs	600.00	
Campus Improvements	600.00	
	<u></u>	3,850.00

(2) AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES

1. Dormitory—Janitors	\$ 600.00	
2. Laundry and Miscellaneous	750.00	
3. Repairs and Upkeep	500.00	
4. Maintenance Expense Apportioned	3,000.00	
5. Gas	350.00	
6. House Mother	600.00	
	<u></u>	5,800.00

(3) OTHER NON-EDUCATIONAL

Scholarships	\$ 550.00	
Interest Expense from Other Funds	1,350.00	
	<u></u>	1,900.00
		<u>\$ 41,150.00</u>

ESTIMATED INCOME

(1) EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL

1. Student Fees:

Matriculation Fees	\$ 125.00	
Library	500.00	
	<u>\$</u>	625.00

2. Endowment Fund:

Seminary Building and Endowment Fund....	\$ 600.00	
General Endowment Fund	5,400.00	
	<u></u>	6,000.00

(2) AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES

Dormitory Rentals	7,000.00	
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(3) OTHER NON-EDUCATIONAL Scholarship Fund	525.00
	\$ 14,150.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	25,000.00
Additional Amount Requested but not provided by Synod.....	2,000.00
	\$ 41,150.00

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

For Elementary Christian Education	\$ 4,100.00
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ESTIMATED INCOME

Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation.....	\$ 4,100.00
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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

China

Salaries of Missionaries	\$ 35,040.00
Traveling Expenses to and from Field.....	6,000.00
Literature Grant	4,000.00
Station Upkeep	14,000.00
Lutheran Theological Seminary	1,000.00
Native Teachers and Helper, and Misc.....	3,960.00
Medical Work	1,000.00
To Pension and Aid Fund (28 Missionaries) ..	2,800.00
	\$ 67,800.00

Africa

Salaries of Missionaries	\$ 30,375.00
Traveling Expenses to and from Field.....	8,000.00
Upkeep of Stations	14,000.00
Educational	5,000.00
Medical	2,000.00
Emergency Needs and Misc.....	4,625.00
To Pension and Aid Fund (24 Missionaries) ..	2,400.00
	66,400.00

<i>India</i>	7,000.00
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Home Base

Salaries of Executive Director, Field Secreta- ry, Office Assistants and Treasurer, Trav- eling Expenses of Missionaries and Board..	\$ 9,150.00
Rents for Missionaries and Secretaries	5,000.00
Pension and Aid Fund (2)	200.00
Miscellaneous	950.00
	15,300.00
	\$156,500.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Woman's Missionary Society	\$ 25,000.00
Executive Director's Office	10,000.00
Bequests	7,500.00
Individuals	2,100.00
College Missionary Societies	2,000.00
Refunds and Miscellaneous	2,000.00
Conferences, Special	12,500.00

P. A. Peterson Estate, Estimate (including sale of Liberty Bond)	18,000.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	63,500.00
Additional Amount Requested but not provided by Synod	14,000.00
	\$156,600.00

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

Grants to Churches, New Missions and Supervision:	
California Conference	\$ 12,425.00
Canada Conference	17,900.00
Columbia Conference	19,005.00
Illinois Conference	25,370.00
Iowa Conference	6,806.00
Superior Conference	5,895.00
Kansas Conference	11,910.00
Nebraska Conference	6,950.00
Texas Conference	7,390.00
Minnesota Conference	36,871.00
Red River Valley Conference	11,902.00
New England Conference	10,852.00
New York Conference	20,511.00
Southeastern District	4,750.00
	\$198,537.00
Board meetings, auditors, office salaries, postage, telephone, telegraph, etc.	10,480.00
Building Upkeep	300.00
Equipment	300.00
Women Missionary Salaries	5,280.00
Youth Mission Education Program	1,000.00
Survey Material	500.00
Literature and Promotional Work	1,500.00
Interest on Loans	1,000.00
Administration Church Extension Fund	3,500.00
Intersynodical efforts in Mexican, Migrant, Mountain, Negro missions	3,553.00
	\$225,950.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Woman's Missionary Society	\$ 28,340.00
Unallocated	\$ 23,060.00
Women Missionary Salaries	5,280.00
Donations and Bequests	8,000.00
Earnings for administration and expense — Church Extension Fund	3,500.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	169,900.00
Additional Amount Requested but not Provided by Synod	16,210.00
	\$225,950.00

COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

Pacific Lutheran College	\$ 2,500.00
Luther Academy, Wahoo	2,000.00
Lutheran Student Service	3,500.00
	\$ 8,000.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	\$ 8,000.00
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IMMANUEL DEACONESS INSTITUTE

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries:

Executives	\$ 7,750.00	
Clerical and Telephone Operators	5,400.00	
Internes	1,500.00	
Medical Directors	3,600.00	
Registered Nurses	45,000.00	
Dietitian	1,560.00	
Kitchen and Dining Room	12,500.00	
Attendants	20,000.00	
Occupational Therapy, Paramentics and Communion Wafer Departments	2,200.00	
Engineer	1,620.00	
Firemen	2,850.00	
Laundry	6,300.00	
Gardener and Assistants	2,100.00	
House Painter, Carpenter, Storekeeper and Miscel- laneous Labor	3,400.00	
		\$115,780.00
Deaconess and Deaconess Pupils Allowance	\$ 19,000.00	
Deaconess Training School	400.00	
Nurses Training School—Books, Uniforms, etc.	6,500.00	
Provisions	51,000.00	
Supplies	35,000.00	
Heat, Water, Gas and Electricity	23,000.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	2,600.00	
Clothing and Sundries for Dependent Inmates & Wards	800.00	
Repairs to Buildings and Equipment	3,600.00	
Pensions	400.00	
Burials	2,000.00	
Licenses, Trade Taxes and Legal Expenses	500.00	
Insurance—Fire and Tornado, Compensation & Liability	2,800.00	
Travel, Publication, Subscriptions and Adv.	2,200.00	
Interest—Mortgages	1,000.00	
Interest—Notes Payable	4,100.00	
Annuities and Trust Fund Interest	1,200.00	
Rental Property—Repairs, Taxes and Insurance	800.00	
Special Training of Deaconesses	220.00	
		157,120.00
		\$272,900.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Operating Income:	
Patients of Hospital	\$175,000.00
Members of Homes for Aged and Invalids	25,000.00
Wards of Children's Home	1,800.00
Sisters' Services in Other Fields	7,000.00
Departmental Income:	
Nurses Training School	6,250.00
Communion Wafers	900.00
Paramentics	2,700.00
Occupational Therapy	800.00
Greenhouse Sales	300.00
Shoe Repair	100.00
Other Income:	
Rentals	2,000.00
Interest	100.00
Budget Apportionments, Gifts and Legacies:	
Omaha Community Chest	8,200.00
Nebraska—Apportionments to Children's Home	750.00

Gifts and Legacies	12,000.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	23,000.00
Additional Amount Requested But Not Provided by Synod	7,000.00
	\$272,900.00

IMMIGRANT AND SEAMEN'S HOME

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS	
Missionary	\$ 2,500.00
Wages	6,900.00
Food	2,200.00
General Supplies	800.00
Heat and Light	2,250.00
Telephone	200.00
Insurance	300.00
Repairs	500.00
Laundry and Sanitary Cleaning	1,400.00
Appeal Expenses	700.00
Furniture	200.00
Interest on \$10,000.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	450.00
	\$ 18,900.00

ESTIMATED INCOME	
Interest	\$ 500.00
Greater New York Fund	1,500.00
Seamen's Welfare Committee	300.00
Woman's Missionary Society	100.00
Donations	2,500.00
Lodging	10,000.00
Meals	1,000.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	1,500.00
Additional Amount Requested But Not Provided by Synod	1,500.00
	\$ 18,900.00

NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS	
Upkeep of the Council and Executive Committee.....	\$ 4,000.00
Literature and Supplies for Army and Navy Chaplains	200.00
	\$ 4,200.00
ESTIMATED INCOME	
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	\$ 4,000.00
Additional Amount Requested But Not Provided by Synod	200.00
	\$ 4,200.00

THE SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE COUNCIL

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS	
Executive Director, Salary	\$ 3,300.00
Executive Director, Traveling Expenses	400.00
Office Help and Promotional Work	1,400.00
Synodical Convention Expense	200.00
Augustana Luther League Council Meeting	500.00
Executive Committee Meeting	200.00
Library, Reference Material, and Office Equipment....	225.00
Pocket Testament League Project	200.00
Junior League Project	200.00
Reading Project	50.00
Literature and Printing	1,800.00
Postage, Telephone, Stationery and Express	850.00

Building Upkeep	150.00
Administrative Officers' Expense	200.00
Editorial Cuts and Engraving	400.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
	\$ 10,175.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Conference Apportionments	\$ 2,995.00
Fellowship Offerings	4,500.00
Sale Printed Material	400.00
Donations (Travel and Miscellaneous)	350.00
Savings Account	580.00
Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	1,350.00
	\$ 10,175.00

SYNODICAL TREASURY

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

Administration, Operating Expenses:	
Synodical Minutes, Agenda and Other Printing	\$ 4,000.00
Postage and Mailing	300.00
Stationery and Office Supplies	350.00
Press Committee	200.00
Traveling Expenses, Officers	800.00
Building Upkeep	180.00
Augustana Lutheran Foundation	500.00
American Lutheran Conference	500.00
Interest	350.00
Salaries	7,000.00
Commissions and Committees	1,000.00
Augustana Historical Society	250.00
Contingent Fund	300.00
Note, Augustana Book Concern	3,045.00
Balance Due Augustana Book Concern—"Faith in Action"	600.00
Miscellaneous	300.00
	\$ 19,675.00

Finance Committee:

Pamphlets—Every Member Canvass	\$ 700.00
Stewardship Posters, Pamphlets and Tracts	800.00
Postage and Mailing	430.00
Stationery, Printing and Office Supplies	300.00
Telephone and Telegraph	125.00
Traveling Expenses	800.00
Building Upkeep	120.00
Salaries	4,220.00
Contingent Fund	300.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
	7,995.00

\$ 27,670.00

ESTIMATED INCOME

Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	\$ 27,670.00
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SYNODICAL FARE FUND

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS

Delegates Fares to Synodical Convention	\$ 10,000.00
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ESTIMATED INCOME

Synodical Benevolence Budget Appropriation	\$ 8,000.00
Additional Amount Requested But Not Provided by Synod	2,000.00
	\$ 10,000.00

PROPOSED SYNODICAL BENEVOLENCE BUDGET FOR 1942

	Califor- nia	Canada	Colum- bia	Illinois	Iowa	Kansas	Minne- sota	Nebras- ka	New England	New York	Red River Valley	Superior	Texas	Inter- mount.	Mon- tana	South- eastern	Totals
Augustana College.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 20,550.00	\$ 6,450.00	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 3,000.00	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 30,000.00
Augustana Theological Seminary.....	621.98	256.68	730.98	4,935.32	1,463.45	1,104.83	7,191.56	1,063.18	2,556.76	2,303.81	1,356.70	840.72	334.80	77.38	107.50	54.32	25,000.00
Board of Chr. Ed. and Lit.	102.00	42.09	119.88	809.39	240.01	181.19	1,179.41	174.36	419.31	377.82	222.50	137.88	54.90	12.69	17.66	8.91	4,100.00
Board of Foreign Missions.....	1,579.85	651.95	1,856.68	12,535.79	3,717.16	2,806.31	18,266.52	2,700.46	6,494.19	5,851.67	3,446.02	2,135.44	850.39	196.53	273.05	137.99	63,500.00
Board of Home Missions.....	4,227.05	1,744.40	4,967.76	33,540.60	9,945.62	7,508.60	48,873.62	7,225.37	17,375.82	15,656.65	9,220.05	5,713.55	2,275.31	525.85	730.65	369.10	169,900.00
Immanuel Deaconess Institute.....	572.23	236.14	672.50	4,540.53	1,346.37	1,016.45	6,616.20	978.12	2,352.23	2,119.51	1,248.16	773.47	308.02	71.19	98.90	49.98	23,000.00
Imm. and Seamen's Home, N. Y.	37.32	15.40	43.86	296.12	87.81	66.29	431.49	63.79	153.41	138.23	81.40	50.44	20.09	4.64	6.45	3.26	1,500.00
National Lutheran Council.....	99.52	41.07	116.96	789.65	234.15	176.77	1,150.64	170.11	409.08	368.61	217.07	134.53	53.57	12.38	17.20	8.69	4,000.00
Synodical Treasury.....	688.40	284.09	809.09	5,462.46	1,619.80	1,222.82	7,959.64	1,176.72	2,829.82	2,549.85	1,501.56	930.51	370.56	85.64	118.98	60.06	27,670.00
Synodical Fare Fund.....	199.03	82.16	233.91	1,579.30	468.30	353.54	2,301.29	340.24	818.16	737.22	434.14	269.03	107.14	24.76	34.40	17.38	8,000.00
Commission on Chr. Higher Ed.	199.03	82.16	233.91	1,579.30	468.30	353.54	2,301.29	340.24	818.16	737.22	434.14	269.03	107.14	24.76	34.40	17.38	8,000.00
Synodical Luther League Council.....	33.59	13.86	39.47	266.51	79.03	59.66	388.34	57.41	138.06	124.41	73.26	45.40	18.08	4.18	5.81	2.93	1,350.00
Totals.....	\$ 8,360.00	\$3,450.00	\$ 9,825.00	\$ 86,885.00	\$ 26,120.00	\$ 14,850.00	\$ 96,660.00	\$ 14,290.00	\$ 34,365.00	\$ 30,965.00	\$ 18,235.00	\$ 14,300.00	\$4,500.00	\$1,040.00	\$1,445.00	\$ 730.00	\$366,020.00

The needs of the beneficiaries of the Synod are about \$50,000.00 more than the granted budget of \$366,020.00. With this in view all Conferences should make an earnest effort to raise their apportionment 100 per cent.



THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

This poster will be sent to every church prior to the Every Member Canvass. Unless otherwise requested it will be mailed in August.

(First Inside Cover Page)

Forty-eighth Annual Convention
Columbia Conference
of
The Evangelical Lutheran
Argentina Synod
April 24-28, 1940

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Twenty-sixth Annual Convention
Women's Missionary Society
of the Columbia Conference
April 25-27, 1940

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Trinity Lutheran Ch. L.
Astoria, Oregon
J. Halton Kierke, Pastor
In Convention Theme: "The Leadership of Christ"

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Astoria Oregon

J. Walton Kempe, Pastor
Vol. II. No. 28.

Second Sunday after Easter
April 7, 1940

CHURCH-SCHOOL FACULTY PRAYER MOMENT	9:35 a.m.
CHURCH-SCHOOL	9:45 a.m.

MORNING WORSHIP	11:00 a.m.
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Processional, Hymn No. 308. Congregation singing with the choir.
Easter Liturgy: Large hymnal, Page 561; Small hymnal, Page 587.
Choir anthem, "I Met The Good Shepherd."
Sermon, "The Good Shepherd and You."
Closing versicle, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."
It makes us glad to see visitors at our services. Welcome!

EVENING WORSHIP	7:30 a.m.
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Vocal Solo, Mrs. Dagmar McIntyre.
Leadership address and discussion, "The Place of The Bible"
Steps to be discussed:
1. The Bible in the Christian's life.
2. The Bible in the Church.
3. The Bible in the World.
4. The Bible in the Purpose and Plan of God.
5. The Bible in the Life and Work of the Church Worker.
Come and bring your friends.

This Week's Appointments.

Monday, 7:30 p.m. Building committee meeting.
Tuesday, 2:15 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary. YWCA.
Wednesday, 2:15 p.m. Women's Missionary Society with Mrs. Mario Lidberg, 553 Kensington. Friends and friends invited.
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.
Thursday, 8:00 p.m. Daughters of Trinity. Welcome! New "Daughters" invited.
8:00 p.m. Young Women's Missionary society with Mrs. J. W. Kempe.

Friday, April 12, 8:00 p.m.
Pacific University A Cappella choir Concert in Trinity church.
Under auspices of our Joint Board.
Tickets, 40¢ and 25¢

Saturday: Opening of Oregon trout season. BUT "Remember the Sabbath Day To Keep It Holy." Sunday is our Sabbath.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 1940

Church-School Prayer Moment,	9:35 a.m.
Church-School,	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship,	11:00 a.m.
World Lutheran Relief Service,	7:30 p.m.

In Finnish Lutheran church on 18th Street.
All Lutheran synods in America in this Appeal.

Total goal, \$500,000. offering for service in
Finland, China, India, France, Africa,
New Guinea, Poland, Russia and for Refugees.

A folder "Help Now" will be mailed each of our families
this week. Bring the envelope with your contribution
to this service next Sunday evening.

The Rev. J. Walton Kempe will preach the sermon, "Love Gifts That Bless".

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.

Liturgists: Pastors Roger P. Oliver and J. Orville Martin
Sermon, "Whatsoever Ye Shall Ask In The Name of The Lord Christ".
Pastor N. William Anderson.

3:00 p.m. Convention Rally Service.

Conference President, presiding
Devotions, Pastor J. A. Edlund
Address, Pastor Sigfrid E. Engstrom.

Kindly let me know, if possible by return mail, that you will accept your assignment in the above program.

Suggestions for the Devotional sermons may be found in the December 28th issue of Lutheran Companion, page 1639 fl.

I sincerely ask that all sermons (except Communion and Pastoral conference addresses, as well as Church-School talks) be given from the pulpit and that you be dressed in ministerial robe. Please!

On Wednesday evening we will have full processional of all pastors and lay delegates. Therefore do we then want all the pastors dressed in full ministerial garb as authorized by synod. (1924 Synod Minutes, Page 35). If you do not have a Luther Gown, use "prästrocken med krage".

The registration fee will be \$5.00 with pastors' wives "riding free" when accompanied by husband. This fee will include the banquet Saturday evening.

We will provide room and board for all visitors who send in their names before April 15. The fee can be paid upon arrival at the convention. Give this information to all coming from your congregation. This applies to all delegates and visitors, men and women. Help us in these matters so there will be no embarrassments because of late registrations.

The first ^{meal} to be served the delegation will be 5:30 p.m. dinner, April 24.

A number of our pastors will be invited to preach in other Protestant churches in Astoria, Sunday morning, April 28.

The convention will close with the Rally Service, Sunday afternoon. This will enable north-going visitors, who must leave us before Monday, to take the 5:50 p.m. Ferry, Sunday. We, however, hope that many will stay over and take in points of interest in this area of God's creation.

Trinity church, Columbia hospital and Astoria are delighted to be host to the Columbia conference and its auxiliary groups in the 1940 annual convention.

May the God of All Grace bless us all with spiritual enrichment as we would work together in His Kingdom.

Kindly send me the names and addresses of newspapers in your vicinity as I aim to send out news releases concerning our convention, commencing April 1. Those who are preparing reports from the different conference institutions and activities are requested to send me excerpts of these reports which I will use in these news releases. It will help me if I may have these excerpts, also, by April 1. Give me that which will look good in print.

And lastly, I will be so grateful for all suggestions that can be given me as to how "Columbia" might best be entertained.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

J. Walton Kempe
J. Walton Kempe.

CONVENTION PROGRAM
Columbia Conference
April 24-28, 1940
Astoria Oregon

Convention Theme: "The Lordship of Christ"

Wednesday, April 24.

2:00 p.m. Pastoral Conference.

Discussion: "The Pastor and The Local Church" -- Pastor C. A. Bengtson *OK*
Discussion: "The Pastor and The Church at Large" (Conference, Synod and Denomination) -- Pastor Carl E. Rydell.

7:30 p.m. Convention Service with Holy Communion.

Convention Sermon: "The Lordship of Christ In The World." *OK*

~~1 Timothy 6:15~~ *1 Cor 15:25*

The Rev. Dr. Carl A. V. Lund

Communion Address: "The Lordship of Christ In His Sacrament"

1 Corinthians 10:16

Pastor Arthur E. Larson. *OK*

Liturgists: Pastors Carl E. Rydell and Carl A. Bengtson *OK*

Assisting Liturgists: Pastors Axel E. Berg and Reuben E. Norling. *OK*

Thursday, April 25.

9:00 a.m. Devotions: "The Lordship of Christ In The Church" Eph. 1: 17-23
Pastor J. Orville Martin *OK*

2:00 p.m. Devotions: "The Lordship of Christ In The Individual's Life"
Col. 3: 23-25
Pastor Edward Eklof

7:30 p.m. Home Mission Festival.

Address, Pastor Sigfrid E. Engstrom. *OK*

Liturgists: Pastors Joseph C. Elmer and Bernard Spong *OK*

Friday, April 26.

9:00 a.m. Devotions: "The Lordship of Christ In The Home" Acts 16: 31-33
Pastor Philip C. Warmanen

2:00 p.m. Devotions: "The Lordship of Christ In Secular Life" 1 Cor. 10:31-33
Pastor Elmer M. Johnson *OK*

7:30 p.m. Women's Missionary Society Festival.

Saturday, April 27.

9:00 a.m. Devotions: "The Lordship of Christ In The Community" John 17: 14-19
Pastor Caryl V. Benson

2:00 p.m. Devotions: "The Lordship of Christ In Christian Education"
Ephesians 4:11-15
Pastor Bernard Spong *OK*

3:15 Outing or Sight-seeing tour. (If time permits)

6:30 p.m. Fellowship Banquet -- Men and Women

Invocation, Pastor O.R. Karlstrom

Fellowship Singing, Pastor Roger P. Oliver, Leader.

Address, Pastor A. L. Langhoff *OK*

Sunday, April 28.

9:45 a.m. Church-School

Primary and Beginners, Address, Miss Edla Magnoy *OK*
Juniors and Seniors, Address, Pastor Joseph C. Elmer

Organ Concert

By
VIOLA WESTBERG-OLIVER

Assisted By

Elizabeth Orden, Vocalist
Hamie Peterson-Kempe, Organist

Organ

Prelude in C	Bach
Chorale, "O Sacred Head"	Bach
Ancient Greggorian Chant	Arr. by Guilmant
Largo	Handel

Vocal

God Will Wipe Away All Tears	Cara Roma
But The Lord Is Mindful of His Own	Mendelssohn

Organ

In Summer (The Pipes of Pan)	Stebbins
Holočy	Ole Bull
Scherzoso	Rogers

Vocal

Calm as the Night	Bohm
Homing	Del Riego

Piano and Organ Duo
Kamennoi Ostrow

Rubenstein

Offering and Remarks

Organ

Jubilato Deo	Silver
Voi Celeste	Batiste
Toccata	Mevin

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Tacoma Welfare Society Holds 10th Yearly Meet

Prof. J. P. Pflueger Re-Elected President; Enrollment Dates April 7-21

TACOMA—More than 100 members of the Tacoma Welfare Society met for the tenth annual meeting, Tuesday evening, February 27, at First Lutheran Church.

Prof. J. P. Pflueger was re-elected president of the society; Rev. Carl E. Rydell was elected first vice president; C. O. Lynn, second vice president; Godwin Rorem, secretary; Attorney Theo. V. Northstrom, treasurer.

Trustees elected for a three year term—Rev. Mikkel Lonn, Norwalk; Steve R. E. H. Jahr; and Rev. Arthur Sydow.

The Parkland band under the direction of Rev. C. A. Pellet gave a group of numbers which were a real treat to the audience. Rev. A. B. Kettner, of Luther Memorial Church, gave a highly enlightening and inspiring address emphasizing the opportunity for service through cooperation of all the churches in the work too big for any one church.

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MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

MRS. DOROTHEA ANDERSON, mother of Mrs. A. K. Vinje, of Pastor Vinje of Everett, was laid away at her home in Tacoma, February 24, following a long illness. Mrs. Anderson, with her childhood faith in the Lord was truly a mother in Israel. Funeral services were held from the Irving Park Lutheran Church, of which she was a member and in point of years, the oldest member, with Dr. Joshua Oden, her pastor, officiating. Blessed be her memory.

LINDA MARIE arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Engvall, members of First Lutheran Church, Tacoma, on February 16. The father, secretary-treasurer of The Western Lutheran Publishing Committee, proudly states "Linda Marie is twenty-two and nineteen-and-a-half inches tall already."

THE call issued by the board of administration of Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Seattle to Rev. Carl E. Haterius of St. Joseph, Mo., to serve as temporary pastor has been accepted. Rev. Haterius plans to begin his work at Gethsemane not later than Good Friday, March 22. Rev. Haterius will have full charge of the work until the permanent pastor arrives, or for a period not to exceed six months.

IT IS rumored that Mrs. Louise S. Taylor, superintendent of schools in Pierce County, Wash., and member of the Pacific Lutheran College faculty on leave of absence, will be a candidate for the position of state superintendent of schools in Washington in the next election.

FISHERMEN RECEIVE BLESSING OF CHURCH



AT SPECIAL RITES—The Rev. O. L. Haavik (right) and Mayor Arthur B. Langlie beside him shown as the Rev. Mr. Haavik last Sunday held services at Ballard First Lutheran Church, Seattle, for men of the halibut fleet who will be putting out to sea on April 1. Mayor Langlie addressed the fishermen.

—Picture by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer

\$2,000 Per Day For War Relief

Lutheran pastors had distributed nearly \$900,000 Lutheran Emergency Appeal pamphlets by the end of February according to the Rev. Dr. Oscar C. Mees, director of the appeal for a \$500,000 war relief fund. Up until that time 7,000 pastors serving 9,000 congregations had indicated their willingness to cooperate in promoting the campaign.

On March 1 Dr. Mees reported that contributions totalling about \$2,000 per day were being received at the appeal offices, 39 East 45th Street, New York City. He stated, however, that the largest part of the fund would not reach headquarters before the middle of March because most contributions are sent through congregations and synodical offices. But even the gifts which are sent direct from individuals to the appeal will be credited to the proper congregation and church body so that an accurate record of synodical benevolence may be kept. He hopes that it will be possible to complete the campaign by Easter.

In discussing help which has been sent to Finland by Lutherans of other nations—most of whom are already affected by war—Dr. Mees said: "If we Lutherans in America would wish to match contributions for the relief of our Finnish co-religionists with our Lutheran brethren in Denmark, Sweden, and Norway our appeal would have to be for many millions of dollars instead of one-half million."

LUTHERAN PASTOR ON CHURCH OF AIR HOUR

PORTLAND (NLCA)—On Palm Sunday, March 17, Rev. Al M. Kraebel and the senior choir of Central Lutheran Church will conduct the service over the "We'll Sail the Church of the Air." The program will originate in station KOIN at Portland.

The time is 8:00 a. m.

MEN OF ALASKAN HALIBUT FLEET ATTEND ANNUAL SEATTLE SERVICE

SEATTLE (NLCA)—In their quest at the services honoring the halibut fleet thronged Ballard First Lutheran Church last Sunday afternoon for the Rev. O. L. Haavik's blessings on their annual venture to the Alaska banks.

Mayor Arthur B. Langlie, following the minister's prayers for the safety and good fortune of the fishermen, addressed them and expressed admiration for their gesture of faith in gathering for the blessings of the church upon their undertakings.

Almost 1,400 persons were present.

ULCA and ALC Clergy Join In Seminar

April 19 eight pastors of the Pacific Synod of the ULCA and eight pastors of the American Lutheran Church met for a free conference in Central Lutheran Church met for a free conference in Central Lutheran Church of Seattle. The Rev. J. Sawyer, pastor, Pastor K. Simundsson presented a devotional topic on "God-Willed Unity in the Church." Pastors Steinhoff and E. R. Pflueger reported on the work which the fellowship commissions of the two church bodies. President L. Lundvig introduced the theme "Possible Hindrances to Complete Fellowship And How They May Be Removed." Rev. H. Monne-Smith of Everett led in the discussion of this theme. It was resolved to have a similar meeting some time after the conventions of the two regional bodies, at which meeting the Washington Declaration of the ULCA is to be made the object of study.

The following day a similar meeting was held in Faith Lutheran Church of Portland. Six ULCA and eight ULCA pastors were in attendance. The only variations in the program were that Dr. Frank S. Beistel treated the first topic and led in the discussion of the last, Rev. W. H. Hellman taking the place of Rev. E. R. Pflueger in the presentation of the second topic.

A free supper preceded all the meetings.

Pastor's Advice

In his address the Rev. Mr. Haavik, who was a fisherman himself as a young man in Norway, declared:

"I want you men to know that I understand the hardships and dangers you endure, having spent three years myself at the same task. I have looked over the sea with the waves mountain-high, and I too, have seen these waves sweep over the tiny craft and wash a beloved fellow fisherman to a watery grave."

"I say, God bless you, you men who go down to the sea in ships. And, just one more thing. Take Christ with you. He takes up no room. He needs no equipment. He takes no share of the profits. He wants merely to keep you and guard you. Men of the fishing fleet, make Him your partner! God is still the sovereign of the sea, the Ruler of the wind and wave. And He will steer your craft to safety."

Mayor's Message

The mayor declared: "All honor to these, our citizens, who leave our city for a time to go into the north and return to enrich the economic life of our community. And I think they must have a better understanding of God than many of us, because they see him in the manifestations of nature that they encounter. To them I say that the thoughts of the people of Seattle are with them. And they'll come back with a song in their hearts, for theirs is a code of fellowship and concern for each. We'll welcome them when they come."

More than 300 devotional booklets were distributed among the fishermen.

The halibut fleet sails April 1. The Rev. Mr. Haavik said his message is due to be dedicated to various churches and all other workers serving the fleet.

Aug Conference To Convene For 48th Session

Astoria Church Will Be Convention Host; Rev. S. E. Engstrom To Attend

ASTORIA

The conference convening at Astoria, Oregon, for the 48th session of the American Lutheran Conference will be held at the Astoria Hotel, beginning Tuesday, August 14, and continuing through Friday, August 17.

Vernon, the president of the conference, will be the guest of honor. Meeting simultaneously with the Columbia Conference at Trinity will be the Women's Missionary Society of the conference in its 26th annual convention under the direction of the president, Mrs. J. A. Martin of Warren, Ore.

The conference convening at Astoria, Oregon, for the 48th session of the American Lutheran Conference will be held at the Astoria Hotel, beginning Tuesday, August 14, and continuing through Friday, August 17.

The Columbia pastors will meet for a pastoral conference on Wednesday, August 24, at 2 p. m. when Rev. C. A. Bendison will present a paper on "The Pastor and the Church."

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Nation To Hear Choir Of West

OLYMPIA—The Choir of the West, a capella choir from Pacific Lutheran College, Parkland, will broadcast over the national network of the Mutual's shortwave system at six-thirty o'clock on Easter morning, from the steps of the state capitol building at Olympia. This broadcast will be in connection with an Easter sunrise service sponsored and financed by the Board of the Mutual's Shortwave Commission under the direction of the Olympia Ministerial Association.

Governor Clarence D. Martin will bring a greeting from the State of Washington, and there will be their music, both vocal and instrumental besides a short Easter meditation by Dr. Dwight Smith of Olympia.

The program, which will be an Easter message to the nation from the State of Washington, will take one hour, but will be so arranged that it will consist of two half-hour programs each complete in itself.

Probably not all the stations of the Mutual Dan Lee system will carry the program, but it is expected to be heard in every section of the country. The time is 6:30 to 7:30 Pacific Standard Time.

ALC ANNIVERSARY FUND GOES FORWARD

The Twelfth Anniversary Fund of the American Lutheran Conference, organized in 1928, has been placed by the conference on a new basis. From 243 contributing churches the fund has received \$47,546. Cash gifts amount to \$21,949.

30,000 To Hear Lutheran Choir

LOS ANGELES—The Lutheran Choral Union of Southern California, a chorus of 3500 voices, under the direction of Rev. Alvin A. Sorenson, will for the second year sing at the master sermon service in the world-famous Hollywood Bowl.

This service will be broadcast from 5:30 to 6:00 p. m. in Pacific Standard Time over the Columbia Broadcasting System from coast to coast and by shortwave to foreign countries.

Acknowledgment of this program by writing station KHJ 480, Los Angeles, or direct to the Lutheran Choral Union of Southern California at 1215 West 14th Street, Los Angeles, will be much appreciated and will assist in making possible this outstanding opportunity for a LUTHERAN CHORUS to sing the glorious Easter message in song to the 30,000 people who assemble every year in the Bowl and to other thousands over the air.

Aug Leaguers Meet In Illinois In 1941

The executive committee of the Augustana Luther League held an important meeting in Minneapolis, February 14. Pastor Alvin Lundgren of Ottumwa, Ia., presided. The other synodical officers present included: Pastor Henry Holmstrom, Bloomfield, N. J.; Evelyn Stark, Chicago; Earl Rydell, Minneapolis; Pastor S. E. Engstrom, Minneapolis; Alice Carlson, Omaha; Zachar Wilton Bergeson, Minneapolis; and Pastor Paul V. Randolph of Portland. Pastor J. Vincent Nordgren, executive secretary of elementary education, and Dr. P. O. Bersell, president of synod, were present as advisory members.

The executive secretary of the Luther League of the United States, in his report, said that the offerings in 1933 exceeded those of the previous year by \$400 dollars, the total for 1940 being \$3,404. Practically all of the leagues within the Columbia Conference participated in the total offering, surpassing the amounts raised in 1933 by nearly \$40 dollars.

Committee reports revealed that the "Open Door" conference held in Omaha a year ago was a great success, there having been 1,436 delegates registered from all parts of the U. S. and Canada. The next youth conference is scheduled to take place in Rockford, Ill. February 13 to 16, 1941. The theme for this Rockford conference is appropriate, "Built on the Rock". The Rockford District has set out to get 2,000 registrations from the district alone.

Trends in Bible camps came up for some discussion and consideration. It is reported that S. L. C. in 1933 had 64 camps, the Augustana Synod 50, the American Lutheran Church 32, the Lutheran Free Church 11, and the Danish Lutheran 7. The age trend is downward. Another trend is for more complete supervision of the Bible camps in general.

Pastor Bergstrand reported that a Joint Lutheran Youth Conference is being planned for 1943. The convention will be similar to the one conducted in Minneapolis in the summer of 1933. The next conference is likely to be held in Milwaukee or Madison, Wis.

Pastor Bergstrand is planning to

Oregon City Has New Pipe Organ

OREGON CITY, Ore. (ALC)—Members of Zion Lutheran congregation are rejoicing over the completion of a pipe organ which has been installed in their church by the Guenther Organ Company of Portland.

A special dedicatory service was held on Sunday morning, March 10, at which time the Rev. L. Ludwig, of Portland, president of the Northwestern District of the American Lutheran Church, presided.

On the following Friday evening Laura A. Sykes, of Portland, successor of the American Guild of Organists, played an organ recital on the new instrument.

Pastor E. G. Wuest returned February 18 from a trip to Iowa, where he had gone for the golden wedding celebration of his parents, Mrs. John Wuest and Mr. Wuest. The happy event was observed at the home of their daughter, Mrs. E. W. Mueller at Martindale, Iowa. A formal service was conducted in the Martindale Church by the Rev. E. A. Bodenmann of Des Moines, Iowa. The following children were present: Pastor Wuest of Oregon City, Carl Wuest of Dysart, Iowa; Leo Wuest, and Mrs. E. W. Mueller of Martindale, Iowa. Roland Wuest, who is attending college at Waverly, Iowa, was also present for the anniversary and for a visit with his father.

Friedrich Loeffelbein, a faithful member of Zion Lutheran Church, passed away February 10 after a short illness. Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, February 13.

PORTLAND CHURCHES PLAN SOLEMN RITES

PORTLAND—The annual three hour Good Friday services of the Lutheran churches in Portland will be held at the Augustana Church. The speakers this year will include the following: Pastors Koehler, Epple, Nelson, Hattula, Brundland, Kraabel and Buttala.

Musical numbers appropriate to the occasion will be given by representatives of the different congregations. Pastors Davidson and Randolph are to serve as liturgists. This service has been well attended in past years.

The seven words on the cross will, as usual, constitute the basis for the 10 or 12 minute messages to be given.

CHANCE TO OBTAIN CHANCEL FURNITURE

GRESHAM, Ore. (Aug)—Any church that can use a soft wood to take place in Rockford, Ill. February 13 to 16, 1941. The theme for this Rockford conference is appropriate, "Built on the Rock". The Rockford District has set out to get 2,000 registrations from the district alone.

The Emanuel Hospital Nurses' Church of Portland gave a sacred concert at Trinity Church on Sunday evening, February 18. The chorus was assisted by Marjorie Morris, violin soloist. Stanley Giarum is the director of the chorus, which appeared in white uniforms.

250,000 BIBLES ARE ORDERED BY GIDEONS

The Gideons have just placed the largest order for new Bibles in all their history—250,000 of the pocket-sized, 16-page, leather-bound, pocket-sized Bibles. These Bibles have been distributed in hospitals, hotels, schools, and jails.

It is the opinion of the executive committee of the Gideons that the new Bibles will be distributed in the largest quantities in the history of the Gideons.

PLC To Sponsor Tacoma Symphony

PARKLAND—Under the direction of Eugene Linden, the Tacoma Philharmonic Orchestra will give a final concert at the Parkland Junior High School auditorium on the evening of March 15. Appearing with the orchestra as guest artists will be Mrs. Alice Weiss, well-known Tacoma musician and teacher of piano at PLC.

After the Parkland concert, according to Mr. Linden, will offer a program of more popular appeal than has been presented during the past season. Among the selections included on the program are "The Prelude to the First Act of Lohengrin" by Wagner and "Beethoven's Fifth Symphony." Supplementing these will be the "Italian Capriccio" by Tschakovsky and "Tales of the Vienna Woods" by Strauss. Mrs. Weiss will play Liszt's "Piano Concerto in E-Flat."

Clarence Monson, PLC managing manager of this concert, reports that executives of the Tacoma Philharmonic Society have endorsed the concert while heartily endorsing the many commendatory expressions coming from Tacoma music critics were the following:

"PLC should be complimented for undertaking such a responsibility. It not only shows the enthusiasm of the student body, but the genuine civic spirit that is behind the enthusiasm."

"It is a great boost to the Philharmonic Orchestra when students are taking such interest. When a small student body has enough courage to undertake such a venture, it should serve as an encouragement to other student bodies."

Assisting Mr. Monson with the advertising of this concert are Marjorie Delin, Evelyn Stalwick, Raymond Pfeiffer, Andy and Olga Sola.

Holy Week Services At Central Lutheran

TACOMA, (NLCA)—Holy Week services at Central Lutheran Church, will begin with a festive morning worship at 11 o'clock on Palm Sunday, when a group of young men and women will renew their covenant of baptism through the sacred rite of confirmation.

Following the annual reunion confirmation banquet and the catechism before the board of deacons and in the presence of relatives and friends Friday evening, March 15, those to be confirmed by the pastor, the Rev. P. B. Hoff, on Palm Sunday will be William Henry Gjertsen, Norma Louise Gjertsen, Chester Todd Hagen, Donald Laurits Johnson, Janet Marie Wolters, Ardelle Geraldine Silver, John Herbert Fisher, Lloyd Morris Silver, Arlene Mildred Severson, and Earl Wayne Monson.

On Holy Thursday, holy communion will be administered by the pastor, the service to begin at 8 p.m. The confirmands will partake of the Lord's Supper for the first time in this service.

On Good Friday the Lutheran churches of the city will participate in an all-Lutheran service at Central Lutheran, beginning at 12 o'clock and closing at 3 o'clock. Lutheran pastors will speak on "The Seven Words From the Cross". The service will be sponsored by the American Lutheran Conference.

Festivities will come to a close with services on Easter Sunday, beginning with an Easter program by the Sunday School, the service to begin at 10 o'clock.

Approximate service times for the week of the Western Lutheran Church are as follows: Holy Week, March 15-17, 1934.

ROCK ISLAND CHOIR MAY SING IN WEST

Pastor Paul Randolph of Portland reports that on his recent trip to the East he learned that the famous Augustana College choir of Rock Island is making plans to visit the West Coast next spring. Dr. Arnold Sorenson, their manager, expects to come West in a month or two in the thought of making preliminary plans for a series of concerts. This 70 voice choir sings under the direction of the dynamic director Henry Yeld.

Invited members on the Coast can look forward with interest to the coming of this outstanding choir which the official university year ranks among the four leading college capella choirs in the country. The choir's other choirs coming out of the East are the University of Chicago and St. Olaf College.

MISSIONARY GROUPS SET MEETING DATES

Mrs. E. A. Rein announces that the Spokane District of the WMF, the American Lutheran Church will meet in Emmett, Idaho, Walla Walla, Wash. April 13 to 24.

The Portland Group of the North Pacific District of the WMF will meet May 1 at Fifth Church, Portland. Mrs. L. Ludwig presiding.

Mrs. L. Metzger, president of the Seattle Group of the North Pacific District, announces that her group will meet in Queen Anne Church, Seattle, May 8.

At all three of these meetings the tenth anniversary of the organization of the Women's Missionary Federation will be the territory of the Northwestern District of the American Lutheran Church will be observed. Miss Katherine Lehmann, president of the national organization will be in attendance and will report on her personal visit of the church's mission field in the Madras Presidency of India.

It is expected that Secretary E. H. Meuser of the board of home missions will be a speaker at all three meetings, presenting the cause of the work on the home continent.

Other details will be announced later.

MT. VIEW CHURCH HOST TO NLCA WOMEN

PUYALLUP, Wash. (NLCA)—The Mt. View Lutheran Church near here was host to the spring convention of the Women's Missionary Federation of the South Puget Sound Circuit on March 12. The local pastor is Rev. E. S. Tollefson.

At the morning session Mrs. O. J. Skram presented a paper on the liquor question. Greetings were received from Mrs. A. T. Hokenstad and Elizabeth Dahl, LOR representative.

At the afternoon session Mrs. A. H. O. Erickson gave a paper on "Why Kingdom Come" and Rev. Tollefson spoke on "Alaskan". Music was furnished by the PLC faculty voices' quartet.

PARKLAND MEN BOOST RELIEF FOR FINLAND

PARKLAND—(NLCA)—A financial relief was expressed by the Lutheran Relief Committee of the Western Lutheran Church, Tacoma, at a meeting held at the Parkland Junior High School, March 10. The relief committee, which was organized by the Lutheran Relief Committee of the Western Lutheran Church, Tacoma, at a meeting held at the Parkland Junior High School, March 10.

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Church Has First Golden Wedding

SEATTLE (Aug)—Mr. and Mrs. John Helland of Edmonds celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by a first golden wedding service in the celebration of their golden wedding anniversary, March 1, the first ever held in Edmonds.

The couple was assisted in the church by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mattson while Mrs. Edna Helland played the organ. Mr. Mattson, who was chairman of the program, is a relative of Mr. Helland.

The program included many speeches of congratulations by old friends of the couple. Included were greetings from Rev. Carl A. Bengtson, pastor of the church; Rev. O. R. Karlstrom, Dr. John W. Lunde, and Dr. D. E. McCarroll. Gene Kall sang two solos, and Rev. and Mrs. Karlstrom also sang.

Following the program was a reception in the church parlors. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Helland's seven daughters and several grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Helland were charter members of Edmonds and had also celebrated their silver wedding anniversary in the church.

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Church Can Use Service Of Boys

Faith in action was the topic at the Chicago Lutheran Pastoral day.

In an assignment, "Neighborhood Missionary," the pastor of Nazareth Lutheran Church, the Rev. M. A. Dahlen, very interestingly told how in that congregation a group of boys known as "The Kingdom Leaguers" have been functioning in a wonderful way.

Every Saturday these boys bring to every home that has any connection with the work of the church, "Neighborhood Nazareth's Narrator," which is the weekly Gospels of the parish.

At regular intervals they bring devotional booklets to the people. Four times a year they deliver the quarterly statements from the financial secretary. On the Saturday before Ash Wednesday they distribute the penny-a-week offering and collect them on the Saturday before Easter.

These Kingdom Messengers played an important role in distributing pamphlets informing the congregation about the Centennial Appeal, and now in this "Faith in Action" movement they in fact will be in the front line of advance. Before so very long they will be men who will take positions of responsibility in the congregation, having felt the pulse and the power of the church from their very youth.

In commenting upon the work of these boys, their pastor stated, "Whether it be ministering in a smaller city, or in this Country's Cross-road town of Chicago, it has been a joy to see 'Faith in Action' expressed so faithfully, and not the least through these boys of the church."

—Lutheran Herald.

PTL Secretary Asks Cooperation

This year the Columbia Conference Lutheran League is setting aside a month in which to put special stress on the Pocket Testament work. This may not only be a conference affair, as there is a possibility that it will become synodical.

The month set aside in April. During this month all Luther Leagues are asked to sponsor a PTL program at a Luther League meeting, to make announcements from the pulpit, and keep the Pocket Testament movement constantly before the leaguers and congregation for the month. Then climax it with April 22, with a grand Fellowship program.

The subject for the fellowship program this year is "Torchbearers," and if ever anything was "passing on the torch," it is a use of the Pocket Testament for personal evangelism.

The new quota for our conference is 700 members. At the present we have about 70 per cent of that number. Two other objectives we have are to have all the pastors enrolled, and to have at least one member in each congregation.

The pastor preaches from the pulpit, let us use our Pocket Testament preach from the kitchen, in the secretary, in the office, in the home circle. Wherever it may be, otherwise-borne-to-take notice.

Rothley Olson, Con. PTL Sec.

NLCA Notice

The South Puget Sound Circuit of the NLCA will meet in Poulsbo, Wash., Rev. L. J. Florn's parish, from Tuesday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m. to Thursday, April 18, at 10:30 p.m. Plan to attend.

—C. L. Harvik, president
—J. P. Knudsen, secretary

OUR PERIPATETIC OBSERVER

TALKS ABOUT

"The Eternal Fitness of Things"

Being "peripatetic" your observer gets around to all sorts and conditions of men and is exposed to all kinds of impressions. He confesses that he has some violent reactions at times. Some times he comes out in sympathy to the eternal fitness of things, as incongruous, as simply not belonging together. When they occur in church, they rob him of devotion, and make his fingers itch for the same whip of cords that Jesus used in cleansing the temple. But fortunately, no such whip is conveniently at hand at the time of provocation, and the observer's second thought tells him that in the spot of divine indignation in this column that to act it out on the spot where the offense is given.

Folded Hands

The Bible prescribes no posture for prayer. The folded hands are no guarantee for a truly devout heart. Perhaps it is a sign of not being hide-bound by tradition, or it is an indication of breadth and modernity, to hold your hands on your back, or to keep them in your two trouser pockets, or to rest them wide apart on the pew in front of you, or to hold them in prayer, but when a Lutheran pastor is guilty of any of these attitudes during prayer to the God of heaven and the Lord of Salvation, it just seems to go contrary to all that seems fitting and proper.

Angry Money

The service is ended. The organist is playing the postlude and people are, rather noisily, alas, making their way toward the exit. But all at once the jangle of money is heard through it all and the stacking of offering plates. Heads that turn inadvertently see two of the deacons at the altar, busy separating the nickels from the dimes, piling them, anxious to get the offering counted as speedily as possible so as to get home and to the dinner table. But the sound of coin, that counting of cash, heard in front of the Christ statue, before that crucifix, on the sacred table from which the blessed body and blood are served to kneeling communicants, it cries out against all sense of church decorum. Is there no sanctity or church office? Must this transaction take place Sunday after Sunday on the Lord's altar?

Prancing Choirs

Perhaps church services have become more worldly and secular, church choirs are robbed and engaged in processional to the inevitable "Holy, Holy, Holy" and make their recessionist retreat to "Saviour, again to Thy dear Name we rise." (Though the observer

could tell a tale of haste and confusion during the choir's march, with late comers dashing for their robes, with nervous talk, and poor clergymen being in the midst of commotion all for the sake of being marched down the aisle, rather than collecting their thoughts and breathing a silent prayer in a quiet sanctuary.) But when choir leaders and members begin to sway their bodies at the first sound of the procession or recessionary by the organ, and then with hesitation step swing down the aisle like a pompous bridal procession, all reverence departs from your truly and he nourishes the hope that some day we shall grow weary of prancing choirs.

Somewhere

The tune of "Beautiful site of Somewhere" evidently "grits" a certain class of people, but when the oft-repeated "somewhere" is wailed out above the coffin of a Christian, who knew where he was going after this life, whose anchor rested within the veil, then the observer would like to stifle the soloist and ask the congregation to sing "I know that my Redeemer lives or some other Christ hymn."

Clashes

The soloist scientifically ticks her place. Her makeup is most arresting, from the coiffure of her head, to the arch of her eyebrows, to the bright crimson of her lips. Then with great dramatic air she sings, "O Divine Redeemer." The voice may be rich. The rendition perfect from an artistic standpoint. But we are not edified. There was a terrible clash between the singer and the song.

Lenten Hymns

When the season of Lent approaches your observer's soul reproaches with strains of "A Lamb go forth our sin to bear," or "Ah, dear Jesus, what has Thou offended?" or "O Bleeding Head and wounded." When in a Lenten service the subjective Gospel hymn, type of songs prevails, he goes away disappointed. He wonders whether our Lutheran chorale heritage is not worthy of preservation and of renewed appreciation by the children of the Church of the Reformation. Well, our sense of the eternal fitness of things may not be yours. But we feel a little better since we have rolled off our chest a few things that had weighed rather heavily.

There are still some more remaining.

WARTBURG SEMINARY HAS NEW PRESIDENT

The Rev. Julius Bodensieck has served during the past nine years as editor of KIRCHENBLATT, official German language publication of the American Lutheran Church, and since 1964 has become president of the Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa.

In addition to his administrative duties he will also teach several of the seminary courses.

MILLIONS OF SLAVES STILL IN BONDAGE

The number of slaves in the world is placed between five and eight million by authorities on the subject. Most of them are found in Ethiopia, Arabia, and China. It is estimated that in the last-named country alone there are 2,000,000 slaves girls. In Arabia, where slavery subsists as a legal institu-

Visitors From West Coast Are Welcome

The following interesting letter was received from Milton Nesvig, student at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, and son of Rev. and Mrs. M. Nesvig, Hastings.

"At the Lutheran Students Union on convention held at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, March 1-3, there were 19 people in attendance who are residents of the Pacific Northwest or have been affiliated with Pacific Lutheran College, Seattle.

The list includes Ruth Vinje, Norma Ringman, Roy Larson, Walter Gravrock, Ralph Bolstad and Torger Lee (PLC's delegate) from Rev. Vinje's church in Everett; Clifton and Osborne Bruland from Portland, Oregon; Alvin Bruland from Woodburn, Oregon; Marguerite Hanson from Kent; Cameron Hoff from Tacoma. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Tingstad, Gertrude Tingstad and Alfred Berglund from Parkland; Mary Berglund and Milton Nesvig from Seattle; Jean Press, former PLC student; and Paul Highby, professor absent on leave from PLC.

"The Tingstads had upon house for the group Friday evening, March 1. All of the young folks mentioned are attending schools of the NLCA in the Middle West. Eight of them are PLC graduates. We had a grand time together those three days. . . it was almost like a trip home.

"The convention was a fine one with many inspiring sermons and discussions. There were 315 visitors from the campuses of other colleges throughout north (Luther College). The LSU is made up of the students at NLCA schools.

"Saw Rev. Vinje and Arthur Olson (Everett Children's Home) yesterday. They were back here for the annual conference of the Lutheran Charities. Rev. Vinje is on the board of charities. Rev. H. L. Fox was back here the last 10 days of February for the annual get together of district presidents. So we haven't a chance to get home-coming letters.

"Things are fine here at the seminary. I enjoy the work very much. At present we middlebers are looking forward to our year of internship when we will get an opportunity to try out our wings a little.

"When you receive your copy of 'Better Leagues' this time you will also receive a poster which we are distributing for International Luther League. It was designed by Edna Norby, daughter of Rev. J. T. Norby in Seattle."

All mankind is divided into three classes: those that are immovable, those that are movable, and those that move.

Rose City Is Mecca For NLCA Leaguers

The Young People's Luther League of the North Pacific District (NLCA) will hold its 1968 convention at Portland, Ore., May 3, 4, 5. It will be held in Northern Lutheran Church, Rev. O. K. Davidson pastor. A fine program is now well under way.

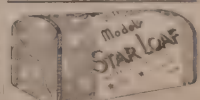
President Fox of the district will be one of the convention speakers, as well as several others will participate in the panel discussion and other sessions. The central session will arise Sunday afternoon under the direction of Professor Malmin, and the Choir of the West from the Pacific Lutheran College will give an ensemble on Sunday evening. Dr. O. A. Tingstad will also speak briefly at this concert.

Pastors should immediately contact the young people's leaders and the church chairs and encourage them to begin to prepare for this convention.

Each senior or junior league should send ten to 15 delegates and as many stories as possible to participate. Near-by churches should meet 100 per cent. More distant churches should send as many of its members as possible. The music numbers should be sent in to the chair, Rev. O. K. Davidson.

Let us all work and make a successful Young People's Convention.

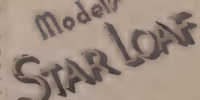
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New Church For Navy Yard City

BREMERTON, Wash., (NCLA)—Construction on the new, all-steel—Our Saviour's Lutheran Church will begin on April 1, according to the pastor, the Rev. Theo. Hokenstad. The present house of worship, erected 50 years ago, is becoming entirely too small for the growing Sunday School and congregation. The present location, which did not permit the necessary room for expansion, has been leased to the Texas Oil Company which will contribute a substantial amount each month toward the cost of the new church building. A new location for the church has been purchased at Eleventh and Veneta Streets.

Plans and specifications have been prepared by Clarence W. George, architect at Aberdeen, Wash. The estimated cost of the completed structure is \$20,000. The exterior is planned for Broadmoor Clear Cedar Siding. The interior is to be semigothic with open timber trusses.

Members on the building committee are: R. C. Birkelo, H. W. Johnson, C. J. Gruenbeck, A. E. Fager, Wm. Olson, Mrs. H. L. Lomberger and Mrs. Otto Dietrich. Those serving on the finance committee are: Dr. H. A. Benson, E. Loftus, T. C. Tannen, E. L. Kluth, George Polio, Mrs. C. E. Benson and Mrs. Fritz Jensen.

Four Octogenarians Die At Bellingham

BELLINGHAM (Aug.)—Five communicant members of First Lutheran Church, four of them octogenarians, have answered the final summons during the past four months.

Carl Gustafson, faithful custodian of First Lutheran for many years, passed away November 16, from injuries sustained when an automobile struck him while he was on his way to church to start a furnace fire. He attained the ripe old age of 79 years.

Mrs. Caroline Sandberg, charter member of the First Church, passed away December 22, the same day she arrived at the home of her daughter to spend the Christmas holidays. She attained the ripe old age of 80 years.

Mrs. Mathilda Larson, for a long time a shut-in at the home of a daughter with the Ferndale district, died February 9. She lived 86 years.

I. O. Norman, a member of First Church for 32 years, passed away after a lingering illness, February 15. Though he was the youngest of those who have recently died yet he reached the age of 85 years.

Mrs. Elna Olson, a resident of Whatcom County for more than 50 years and for many years a member of First Church, passed away at the family home in Bellingham February 26, having attained the age of 86 years.

Without exception, it has been the privilege of Rev. J. Orville Martin to comfort those who have been left to mourn that each of them are today enjoying the inheritance of the sanctified. "We will surely miss these dear friends who have pioneered the West and who have been the pillars of their church but we rejoice that they are today members of the Church Triumphant."

A merchant was discussing a bill with one of his debtors.

"Look here, you've been owing me this bill for a year. I'll meet you half-way. I'm ready to forget half what you owe."

"Fine," replied the debtor, "I'll meet you. I'll forget their half."

BREMERTON LUTHERANS TO BUILD Forward Program Bearing Fruit



The above photo is the architect's drawing of the new Our Saviour's Lutheran Church (NCLA) to be erected at Eleventh and Veneta Streets in Bremerton, Wash. Rev. Theo Hokenstad is the pastor.

THE MODERN PREACHER

The modern preacher, to please his good field, Should not be too young, and he must not be old. His clothes must be fashioned to latest design: In height he should measure "round five feet and nine. His voice should be pleasing, not rasping and loud. His sermons magnetic, they must draw a crowd. All want a "good mixer," a man with a smile. One up to "the latest" in manner and style. And he must be learned and have a degree. With views on religion and life rather free. For popular prestige he should have a slant On national issues, each current event. And he must know music, be able to sing. Have business ability,—everything.

—O. J. E.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR WILL BE AT TACOMA

TACOMA, (ALC)—Dr. Hieronymus, parish education director of the American Lutheran Church, will conduct a Sunday School teachers' course at Luther Memorial Church April 4 to 8. Workers in the ALC churches in Tacoma and Puyallup will also attend the course.

A syllabus of the course and Weigle's book "The Pupil and the Teacher" will be used as text books. An examination will be held at the conclusion of the course.

Columbia WMS To Meet At Astoria

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Columbia Conference Women's Missionary Society (Aug) will convene simultaneously with the Columbia Conference convention, April 24 to 28, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Ore. Rev. J. Walton Kempe, pastor.

The WMS devotional and business sessions will be held in the Grace Episcopal Church. The missionary festival on Friday evening and the programs for juniors and young women on Saturday, April 27, will be held in Trinity Church.

Officers and departmental secretaries will meet for a "Quiet Hour" on Thursday, April 25, at 9:30 a. m. All delegates are requested to be present at the first session, Thursday, April 25, at 10 a. m.

The convention theme will be "Ye are My Witnesses" (Isaiah 43:10). Subtopics for the devotional "Witnessing" are "through love," "through His power," "through service," "through prayer," "through His messengers," "in all the world" and "through our lives."

Mrs. J. A. Martin, Warren, Ore., is the conference WMS president.

A Gentle Reminder

"Did you hear about the delicate man Mr. Stuyale got last night?"

"No; what was it?"

"Well, Edith found that looking at the clock and other familiar devices were of no avail; so she ordered some refreshments, and her mother sent in a dish of breakfast food."

Forward Program Bearing Fruit

SEATTLE (NCLA)—Ballard First Lutheran Church harvested its first fruit of the "Faith in Action" effort recently when it received a group of new members into the fellowship, representing 10 families. Among these were four married men, heads of families, that were received through adult confirmation, one also baptized. One had previously been a Catholic, another came from the Presbyterian Church and a third from the Christian Church.

For many weeks on the average of 75 members of the congregation have gathered for instruction in personal work over the leadership of Rev. O. L. Havel. Immediately after Easter another adult class for baptism and confirmation will be organized. Sunday, March 10, was "Roll Call" Sunday and the 17th will be "Guest Sunday."

The content, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," by Dallas, will be given Wednesday evening of next week at 8 o'clock, by the choir of Ballard First Lutheran. This is the 19th consecutive annual rendition. Agnes Nielsen-Skolden is the present director of the choir.

Enjoyable Event At Central Valley

CENTRAL VALLEY, Wash. (NCLA)—Ninety-five mothers and daughters gathered at the Island Lake Lutheran Church Hall of Central Valley on February 28 to the mother-daughter banquet given in honor of the first anniversary of the Lutheran D. of the Reformation. This banquet, the first such ever held in Central Valley, was sponsored jointly by the Ladies' Aid and the L. L. in the congregation. The large table was beautiful in blue and white streamers which fell from the ceiling, blue and white tapers and cut flowers. The "March of Faith" song and blue and white representing a book with gilt edges in which was printed "My Utmost for Christ" were used. Tiny blue birthday candles marked each place.

The fathers of the congregation, presiding the bountiful and delicious meal which was served by the sons.

Mrs. M. T. Hokenstad of Snohomish, Wash., president of the Pacific District Women's Missionary Society, was the speaker of the evening. She gave an inspirational address on the theme "My Utmost for Christ." She was introduced by the toastmistress, Mrs. J. M. Amundson.

Three toasts were given during the program. Mrs. M. Cleven spoke in behalf of the mothers to the daughters; Laura Paulson in behalf of the daughters to the mothers; and Mrs. J. M. Amundson as hostess to the mothers and daughters. The talks were interspersed by songs honoring mother and daughters. Mrs. J. Borgen rendered a violin selection, and Mrs. H. Jensen a vocal solo. The girls' chorus sang the anniversary song.

Mrs. J. Jensen having five daughters present received a token of the distinction and Mrs. Anne Hixstad, oldest mother, and Mrs. Walden, youngest mother present also received gifts.

SEATTLE LADIES HEAR CONFERENCE LEADER

SEATTLE (Aug)—A large group of WMS members gathered at Goldenview Lutheran Church on February 20 to hear Mrs. J. A. Martin, Columbia Conference WMS president, speak on "Are We Witnessing for Christ?" Vocal solos were sung by Mrs. A. V. Anderson.

Mrs. J. A. Martin, Warren, Ore., conducted the devotions and Rev. J. A. Edlund gave the closing prayer.

Boys Are Guests Of Fathers At Hotel

SPOKANE (Aug)—The annual Grace Lutheran father and son banquet was held at a local hotel, February 18. Nearly 300 were present.

The affair was sponsored by the brotherhood and men's organizations of the church. Guests were members of the Boys' Club organized last fall. Grace Lutheran provided the luncheon. An address was delivered by R. H. Knaack, principal of one of the high schools of the city. The toast to the sons was given by Warner Westlund and the toast to the fathers by John Westlund, J. A. Vidler also was given by Prof. Rudolph Wolf and other musical numbers were given by Prof. N. E. Olson and Edward Grimmer. Fathers and sons were joined in the singing of "Bless Be Thee, O Father, God," after which Pastor A. L. Landolf pronounced benediction.

The Grace Lutheran Church Boys' Club entertained the brotherhood and friends February 18 in the church parlors. Special mention pieces of Africa were shown. Prosecutor Ralph Foley of Spokane County was in attendance. Foley emphasized where the church must do its part in training boys and girls for the future. Harold Edlund was the address for the boys' club.

The reported Geo. T. Palmquist, president of the local banquets, said that the hotel was crowded with members of the club and their families. It was a very successful affair, making

PLC STUDENT MAKES LUTHER HONOR ROLL

DECORAH, Iowa—Dorothy Ringstad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ringstad of Portland, a junior at the local high school.

During her first semester honor roll, having earned a grade point average of 2.82. Prof. Ringstad is a teacher at Luther, temporarily exchanging with Dr. O. Norlie who is teaching at PLC at the present time.

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Tacoma Welfare Society Meets

(Continued from page one)

The Woman's Missionary Society served a delightful lunch following the meeting.

1940 Roll Call

The enrollment date for 1940 will be April 7 to 21. The aim of this solicitation will be to give every member of the Lutheran Church in Tacoma and vicinity an opportunity to become a contributing member. Rev. Ketter brought out in his address the importance of this five year period had been \$2.01.

Rev. Clarence J. Johnson, Rev. Arthur Larson and Rev. George Kittel were elected by the Pastoral Conference to be its committee to help conduct the enrollment.

Service Report, 1939

Visits to Mission and Attendance	49-1086
Visits to Reading Room	7629
Services at Jail	14
Institutional visits	81
Bedside Visits	219
Home calls	525
Collateral calls	1178
Office interviews	441
Letters written	303
Assisted medical care	255
Women's Employment Bureau: Permanent jobs	255
Short jobs	2
Funerals conducted	2
Service and Relief:	
Ave. No. Families given relief and service per mo.	14
Ave. No. in families	26
Ave. No. children given relief and service per mo.	17
Ave. No. single persons, no. of families	17
Lunches	293
Nights Lodging	293
Garments	293
No. of Aged served in their homes, average	114
No. of Aged served in Lutheran Home, average	56
New Cases: Single	34
Family	34
Total	68

Financial Statement

Income	
Loan	\$ 175.00
1939 Memberships	73.00
1939 Memberships	924.50
Contributions	29.75
Store Cash Sales	57.50
Store, in Kind	1,389.00
Community Chest	7.50
Services rendered	7.50
Misc (paid back)	109.33
Collections	109.33

Total Income	\$2,984.27
Balance, Dec. 31, 1938	8.07

Total	\$2,992.34
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Current Expense	
Exec Secretary	\$ 175.00
Clerical	235.00
Phone	131.37
Miscellaneous	32.93
Garbage Coll.	12.00
Postage	126.11
Office Supply	148.34
Rent-office	148.34

Total General Expense	\$ 911.81
Enrollment	\$ 71.19

City Missionary and Social Worker	\$566.00
Home Service and Relief	\$68.03

Mission Reading Rooms	
and Chapel	\$64.25
Store Expense	\$20.02

Total	\$934.30
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V. E. Thoren is the executive secretary of the society and Rev. C. A. Pellett is the city missionary and home visitor.

The society also operates a home for the aged at Puyallup. The home's monthly number is 35. The operating statement for the year ending August 31, 1939, reveals an income of \$14,720, expenses, \$13,480.

The total assets on that date were \$36,400.

NCLYA Box Workers

Mrs. O. J. Skram of Seattle, box work secretary of the Women's Missionary Federation in the Pacific District (NCLYA) states that the reports from the recent secretaries of box work are now due. Mrs. O. H. Heggie of Austin, Minn., requests that local societies send in their reports at once.

Mrs. Skram continues: "We are sure that a great deal of box work has been done during the past year. Institutions have been remembered at Christmas and other times. Let us have an estimate of what has been given or better yet, an itemized report of the time of the disciples when the Lord deemed it wise to permit Dorcas to die in the midst of her active deeds of service among the poor and needy widows and children, and then to raise her to raise her from the dead to bring cheer and comfort those in need. Perhaps this incident is recorded in the Bible to spur Christian women on."

"Suppose that our church had neglected the erection and maintenance of orphanages and hospitals for the aged? We are told that in the past 25 years, more than 5,000 souls have been cared for in ONE of our girls' homes. Some of these had no Christian training. Many have been brought to Christ, have been baptized and instructed, saved for time and eternity.

"May God bless each and every one who does loving service in this department of our church."

DISTRICT WMS MEETS AT GRAYS HARBOR

GRAYS HARBOR, Wash. (Aug.)—The Women's Missionary society of the Tacoma District met at Gray's Harbor, Oregon, and Trinity Church, Aberdeen, on Tuesday, February 27.

Mrs. Carl Rydell, Tacoma, presided at the morning session which was held in the lovely home of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph C. Elmer, and the afternoon program session held at Hogueham.

The request that the women take a definite part in the support of the Lutheran project was presented. The essence of the resolution adopted is that all societies be urged to do something definite in interest of Lutheranism; and it is recommended that a bank for collection of extra cents be kept in evidence at all meetings in charge of a Lutheran society, the proceeds of which collected to be sent to the Lutheran treasury through the regular missionary channels.

Miss Edla Magney, Aberdeen, was elected secretary in charge of boxes of blessings and the dime books. Mrs. Hagblom, Seattle, presided at the one exception, the Tacoma District organized 100 per cent in women's missionary societies.

The one exception is classified as a contributing society.

Many Leaguers At Auburn Convention

AUBURN, Wash., (Aug.)—February 25, Lutheran Leaguers of the Tacoma District gathered for a spring rally in Mesiah Lutheran Church, where the Rev. E. Arthur Larson is pastor.

The church was filled with a capacity crowd for the afternoon service. George Stevens, president, served as chairman. New York, N.Y., Olympic field in devotion. The Rev. Carl E. Rydell of First Lutheran Church, Tacoma, spoke on the topic "The Shadow of the Cross Falls on Youth." He reminded the leaguers that as Christian young people, they could not escape that shadow of the cross of Christ; and that they, too, must bear a cross, but though there will be no Simon to aid them, Christ will ever be near to give His loving help.

Church, Seattle, sang four numbers. Mrs. Harry Bulum directed the large group of 40 youthful voices.

After the rally service, a short business session was held, the outcome of which was a motion passed that each league in the district organize a program to give financial aid to the recreational project at Lutherland.

The Rev. J. T. Norby of the Seattle Seamen's Mission, was guest speaker for the evening service. His topic was "Warning Yourself by the Enemies' Fire." Anna Johnson, Gethsemane, Seattle, sang a number, and Dorothy and Arthur Larson played a piano and clarinet duet for the offering.

The local pastor served as liturgical. An invitation to hold the annual district convention at the Aberdeen-Hogueham churches has been received and accepted. The dates for the convention have been set for May 18 and 19.

The Rev. J. C. Elmer is pastor of the parish.

CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN MINISTERS CONVENE

SAN DIEGO.—The pastoral conference of the Southern California American Lutheran Conference of the Southern California American Lutheran Conference convened at Bethesda Lutheran Church (Augs), Rev. Elmer Friedlund's charge, on February 13. A large number of pastors attended and enjoyed the colloquial program which culminated in a holy communion service.

Rev. C. H. S. Hunziker, Anaheim, conducted the devotional hour. Rev. H. C. Jersild presided over the business session. Developing the general topic of "New Testament Prophecy," Rev. J. H. Berg, Pasadena, presented the post-millennial view and Pastor Friedlund the pre-millennial view. A "Town Hall" discussion followed.

Officers elected for the ensuing year are Rev. J. H. Berg, president; Rev. Elmer Friedlund, vice president; Rev. Conrad Kozman, ingelwood, treasurer, and Rev. H. C. Jersild, secretary.

The next session of the conference will be held October 8 in Salem Lutheran Church, Glendale. Rev. A. O. Odegaard, pastor.

PLC Development Association

February 23, 1940
New Members

No. 10,013, Jean Marie Ulfeland, Kent, Wash. (In Memory of Grace Neavil); No. 10,014, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wernholm, Hudson, So. Dak. (In Memory of Mrs. Olaf Asper); No. 10,015, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hagen, Alcester, So. Dak. (In Memory of Mrs. Olaf Asper); No. 10,016, Mrs. H. E. Herbrandson, Alcester, So. Dak. (In Memory of Mrs. Olaf Asper); No. 10,017, Alfred Asper, Alcester, So. Dak. (In Memory of Mrs. Olaf Asper); No. 10,018, California Conference of the Augustana Synod; No. 10,019, Mrs. E. J. Brown, Tacoma, Wash. (In Memory of Lou Myron); No. 10,020, Elaine Elise, Stanwood, Wash. (In Memory of Lou Myron); No. 10,021, Peter Larsen, Oak Harbor, Wash. (In Memory of Lou Myron); No. 10,022, First Lutheran Church, Bend, Ore. (In Memory of Lou Myron); No. 10,023, First Lutheran Church, Decorah, Iowa.

Second Contributions

Janet Mariene Ulfeland (In Memory of Grace Neavil); Mrs. James J. Curry, Bogaey Christerson, Mrs. and Mrs. C. B. Asper (In Memory of Mrs. Olaf Asper); Sunny Sands Ladies Aid, Cathlamet, Wash.; Emmet Thompson, Geo. Whill, E. Wimmer, Hope Lutheran Ladies Aid, Tacoma, Wash.; and Mrs. Harold Larson, Zeal Young Peoples Society, Canby, Ore. (In Memory of Lou Myron); Howard Hong, Elmer T. Thum, Peter Pederson.

Third Contributions

Lenore Withrow, First Lutheran Ladies Aid, Colton, So. Dak.; David James B. Asper; Mrs. C. F. Torus, 2nd Ladies Aid, Kent, Wash.; First Nor. Lutheran Ladies Aid, Hogueham, Wash.; Kent Lutheran Church, Kent, Wash.; O. M. Jonsdottir.

Fourth Contributions

Mrs. Rebecca Nelson, Seattle, L. D.

Los Angeles Pastor On Radio Programs

LOS ANGELES (NCLYA)—An offering for Finnish Relief was solicited in Our Savior's Lutheran Church under the leadership of Olaf Hakkarinen and forwarded to the Hoover committee for Finnish Relief. About \$175 was raised and in addition some seven or eight boxes of clothing were brought in for this cause.

Approximately 200 copies of Dr. Hallesby's book on "Prayer" have now been placed in the homes of the people of this congregation.

A message was given over KBCA at a Sunday vesper service recently by request of the Los Angeles Church Federation of liturgical service together with choir anthem and a Gospel message was presented by Pastor Snesrud and the Cathedral Choir of the church.

We were pleased to have Dr. O. A. Elmqvist with us Sunday evening as our Pastor Snesrud had been invited to speak and sing in his church at Riverside. Dr. Elmqvist's theme for his inspiring message was "The Triumph of the Cross."

We shall be happy to have Dr. J. C. K. Pres with us in the near future at our Circuit S. S. Institute to be held in this church in April and also at the WPA Circuit Convention to be held in Hemet, also in April.

Earlier morning the Lutheran Choral Union of Southern California under the directorship of Pastor Snesrud will again sing the Christ message over a national broadcast from the Hollywood Bowl at the well-known Easter Sunrise Service. Following this service Pastor Snesrud will speak over the Columbia Broadcasting System at 8:00 a. m. Easter morning.

R. Hudson, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. O. Gregerson.

Fifth Contributions
Myrtle Paulsen, R. O. Storick

Sixth Contribution
Rev. and Mrs. N. Malm.

Seventh Contribution
Dunne Ulfeland (In Memory of Grace Neavil).

Eighth Contributions
Mrs. J. H. Martinson, Ida Swendrud, Hannah Sverdrup.

Ninth Contribution
L. A. Ostad.

Tenth Contributions
Mrs. Harold Ulfeland (In Memory of Grace Neavil); Johanna Rasmussen, Alfred H. O. Erickson.

Eleventh Contributions
Harold Ulfeland (In Memory of Grace Neavil); Hans J. Moe, Ann R. Kravik, John Berentzen.

Twelfth Contributions
Anna F. Kravik (In Memory of N. J. Hong).

Fifteenth Contribution
Carrie Aasenhus.

Nineteenth Contribution
Glander O. Hagen.

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Welfare Society Is Reorganized

Necessary action to make the Lutheran Welfare Society of Portland an incorporated body was taken at the annual meeting at that organization, which was held at the Bethel Lutheran Church, February 5 at 8 o'clock. This action also includes changing the name to the Lutheran Welfare Association, was done for the purpose of enabling the society to own property without the legal details connected with an unincorporated body.

The reports given at the meeting indicate that there has been an increase in financial receipts over the last year. From a total annual income in 1930 of \$439, last year a total of \$542 was received.

The amount of work done, as indicated by the various reports, shows accomplishments far out of proportion to the money received. The executive secretary, Pastor P. O. Bruhn, during the past year, has made a total of 1,690 visits to hospitals and other institutions and homes. He ministered to 4,520 people, including private devotions to 497 persons. Sixty-three regular services were held, and communion was given to 89 persons, to 10,000 Bibles, tracts and papers were distributed and 146 individuals and families were aided.

Miss Nordling read the report of Mrs. Eva Johnson, giving in detail the amount of food and clothing received and distributed at the welfare center. This report also included the amount of case work accomplished and the method of keeping records.

During the past year, Mrs. Karl Svenson has organized a girls' sewing class at the center, on which she reported. Mrs. Wm. Rittel has organized a women's club, which has been accomplishing excellent results.

Miss Schreiner, president of the Women's League, read the report of the treasurer of that organization, Mr. Smithson. The Women's League is an auxiliary of the welfare society, and as such, does considerable amount of work.

Due to the reorganization plans, a complete new set of directors were elected as follows: two year term Pastors Chas. Engle, A. W. Nelson, and Paul Randolph; Mrs. Eva Johnson, Mrs. Wm. Rittel, Mrs. M. O. Holm, F. D. Cook, G. C. Henriksen, Sig. Kolden.

The following will serve a one-year term on the board of directors: Pastor C. S. Odell, E. E. Rasmussen, A. M. Kranzel; Mrs. Eric Peterson, Mrs. C. W. Goodman, Mrs. Karl Svenson, P. Danskov, W. B. Dams, G. F. Krause.

Wm. Skinn, president of the Lutheran Youth Council, spoke at the meeting, stressing the fact that the young people of Portland are vitally interested in this type of work, as has been evidenced so many times in the past by their large contributions.

A moving picture was shown depicting the work of the society in Portland. In this connection, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Charlson were thanked for the use of their motion picture equipment, and the secretary, G. C. Henriksen, was thanked for his efforts in taking the pictures.

Rev. L. Ludwig introduced the following resolution, which was passed: Resolved that we express our special thanks for faithful work done by the executive secretary, Pastor P. O. Bruhn, to the committee on welfare, and all the workers who have so largely given of their time and service, and to all other individuals and organizations that have made some kind of a contribution to the endeavors of the Lutheran Welfare Society.

In spite of inclement weather, a large number of Lutherans were present at the meeting.

G. C. Henriksen, secretary.

Three New Societies In Portland Area

PORTLAND (Aug.)—Reports at the annual meeting of the missionary societies of the Portland District of the Augustana Synod held at the Immanuel Church Tuesday, February 15, revealed a most successful year in membership increase, membership activity and financial income. Mrs. Paul V. Randolph, president, announced in her report that three new societies had been organized. These are now within the district—11 women's societies, five young women's group and four junior organizations.

At the business session Tuesday afternoon the meeting was opened with devotions by Mrs. C. J. Renard of Colton. Mrs. L. J. Anderson, spoke at a volume and Mrs. Elmer Lewis gave the response. Mrs. Fred Jensen of St. Helens, treasurer, reported a total income of \$1807. The various societies contributed as follows: Augustana, Portland, \$538; Trinity, Astoria, \$201; Warren, \$126; Gresham, \$89; Colton, \$87; St. Helens, \$75; Marshfield, \$41; Mist, \$35; Lane, \$20 and maygar, \$3.

The following officers were elected for 1940: president, Mrs. J. W. Kempe, Astoria; vice president, Mrs. C. S. Odell, Immanuel, Portland; secretary, Mrs. Carl Erickson, Augustana, Portland; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Jensen, St. Helens. Secretaries of departments were elected as follows: Miss, Mrs. Thut Davis, Immanuel; Juniors, Mrs. Dahlgren, Warren; Mission-Tidings, Mrs. Elmer Lewis, Augustana; My-missionary-for-a-day, Mrs. Julius Sture, Gresham; membership, Mrs. E. J. Sakrison, Colton; industrial, Mrs. C. O. Moen, Astoria. Jewish mission, Mrs. H. H. Hall, Augustana; exhibits, Mrs. H. C. Earl, Augustana; jubilees, Mrs. J. W. Kempe, Astoria.

The honored guest of the convention was Miss Edna Miller, home on furlough from Africa. She spoke at the evening session. Miss Miller's missionary address was stimulating and very well received. At the opening of this meeting beautiful corsages were presented Miss Miller and Mrs. Randolph, the outgoing president, by Mrs. J. A. Nelson, the president of the conference WMS, in behalf of the district.

The membership banner for having gained the most new members during the past year was awarded the YWMS of Trinity Lutheran Church, Gresham.

Spiritual Life Rallies In Calif.

LOS ANGELES (NLCA)—Several spiritual life rallies have been conducted recently in the Southern California Circuit. The first was held in Los Angeles when neighboring congregations gathered to hear addresses on the following subjects: "Objectives and Plans," Rev. Albert Anderson, Van Nuys; "Spiritual Resources at Our Disposition," Rev. J. H. Berg, Pasadena; "Our Parish Missionary Program," Rev. A. O. Odegard, Glendale.

Rev. B. Thorpe, Long Beach, is the circuit chairman for the spiritual advance program. Rallies were held at Long Beach and San Diego. Pastors Thorpe, Berg and Odegard, were the speakers. The attendance at these rallies was very good and the people of the congregations seem to respond with a great deal of interest.

Missionaries from China, Dr. C. W. Landahl and wife and Missionary Haugen, have spent the past week visiting the congregations in the South-land, showing moving pictures from China and giving some very inspiring messages about the work carried out on the mission field.

PLC DEBATORS MEET WASHINGTON STATE

PARKLAND—Pacific Lutheran College debaters met representatives from Washington State College on Saturday at PLC, debating the Phi Kappa Delta question. Resolved: That the United States should maintain a policy of strict economic and military isolation toward all nations outside of the Western hemisphere involved in civil or international conflict. Participating in the debate from Pacific Lutheran were Alice Ford, Patricia Nilsson, and Arthur Herstad, Neal Hoff, Bud Luthers, Luther Livingston, and Andy Solh, with Pres. L. P. Pfueger, debate coach.

OBITUARIES

MRS. MINNIE HOLTE

SEATTLE (NLCA)—Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie Holte, 65 years old, widow of the Rev. Hans Holte, were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday, March 12 at the West Seattle Norwegian Lutheran Church where her husband was pastor. Burial took place in Pacific Lutheran Cemetery.

Mrs. Holte, a Seattle resident 15 years, died last Wednesday. She resided at 1600 44th Ave. S. W. Her husband died in 1928. Surviving are two sons, Selmer, Juneau, Alaska, and Herman Holte, Seattle. Arrangements were made at the Daniels & Brinton Funeral Home.

MARTIN HOLM

PARKLAND—Martin John Holm, 19, PLC freshman, was killed Saturday, February 24, when a car in which he was a passenger left the highway near the Raymond city limits and crashed into a telephone pole.

With the Rev. J. P. Pfueger providing, memorial chapel services were conducted at Pacific Lutheran College on Monday morning.

Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Holm, live in Petersburg, Alaska, where the body was sent.

MRS. MATHILDA ROSELAND

SILVERTON, Ore. (NLCA)—Mrs. Mathilda Caroline Roseland, widow of the late Rev. J. C. Roseland, was called to her eternal reward on February 6 at the home of her sister, Gurina in Silverton. Funeral services were conducted on February 8 by the local pastor, Rev. J. M. Jensen, assisted by Rev. O. K. Davidson of Portland.

Mrs. Roseland, born in Goodhue Co., Minn., in 1868, enrolled at St. Olaf College at the age of 15. She was an accomplished musician, having studied music in Minneapolis and New York. She taught music at Mt. Horeb Academy 1893-95, and at St. Olaf College, 1895-98. On November 10, 1910, she was married to Rev. J. C. Roseland, long time secretary of the former United Church. Pastor Roseland served parishes in Chicago, Crookston, Minn., Silverton from 1914 to 1922, and Philadelphia.

Following the death of her husband, Mrs. Roseland returned to Silverton in 1931 to make her home with her sister. Her pastor stated that she did much to encourage the work at Immanuel Church. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Gurinild Enseth, 93 years old, three sisters, Gena and Anna of Portland, Gurina of Silverton, two

brothers, Victor and Marcus, of Portland. Blessed be the memory of Mrs. Roseland.

GUST M. CARLSON

OLYMPIA (Aug.)—Gust M. Carlson, member of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, since 1881 and former member of First Lutheran Church, Tacoma, passed away on February 22 following a brief illness. He was born in Sweden in 1869 and came to Tacoma in 1889.

During his membership at Gloria Dei he served for a number of years as trustee and represented the congregation many times at district and conference meetings.

Funeral services were conducted in Tacoma by Rev. Elmer M. Johnson assisted by Rev. O. R. Karlsson.

Mrs. Carlson is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma Carlson; daughter, Mrs. Edna Winard, Seattle; and two sons, Ernest of Seattle, and Emil of Klamath Falls, Ore.

ARNE LINQVIST

ABERDEEN Wash. (Aug.)—Funeral services were held March 6 for Arne Alphons Lindqvist, 24, one of the victims of the fire which destroyed the Aberdeen Plywood Company plant. From appearances it seems that Mr. Lindqvist was trapped about 80 feet from the exit toward which he was running. He was born in Aberdeen on May 4, 1915. He was confirmed in 1930.

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FORMER PASTOR OF PUYALLUP WEDS

PUYALLUP, Wash. (ALC)—On Tuesday evening, March 5, Rev. Karl Kilian of McMullen, Wash. and Mrs. Margarette Keitner of Oakland, Cal., were united in marriage at the home of the groom's eldest daughter in this city. The groom is well known in this community, having served Peace Lutheran congregation as pastor for 27 years, prior to his retirement six years ago.

The bride is a former resident of Leola, S. Dak., where her former husband practiced medicine for 15 years.

Rev. and Mrs. Kilian will reside at McMullen. Rev. Erwin H. Jahr, pastor of Peace Church, officiated at the marriage.

Green Lake Church Observes 7 Steps

SEATTLE (Aug.)—During the seven weeks of Lent, Bethany Green Lake Lutheran has given expression to a program of "Seven Steps." Besides the regular Sunday service, each one stressing the "Seven Last Words," there is held on each Thursday evening a prayer service patterned after the Novena of other churches in the Middle West.

The attendance at these services has been about 35 as an average. Each person makes his prayers definite by means of the prayers, and then marks the card accordingly.

These petitions, offered silently during seven silent pauses, are then recorded in the little paper printed for each session. Already wonderful answers to prayers have been scored, such as getting employment, return to health, conversion, and return to faith.

Bethany will hold confirmation services on Palm Sunday and confirmation reunion that evening, when Pastor Harry W. Lundblad from Gresham, Ore., will be the speaker.

Two Lenten banquets are being held, one for youth on February 27, when Pastor A. L. Langhoff of Spokane, was the speaker, the other on March 13, for older members, when Pastor Paul Randolph of Portland gave the address.

New members were received on Sunday, February 11, and another group will be received at Easter time.

The attendance and spirit at the services has been an inspiration. Rev. Roger P. Oliver is the pastor.

DATES CHANGED FOR CALIFORNIA WMF MEET

ORLAND, Cal. (NLCA)—The dates of the annual convention of the Women's Missionary Federation of the Northern California Circuit have been moved up to April 16 and 17 to make it possible for the Rev. Dr. H. A. Preus to attend as the guest speaker. The sessions will be held in First Lutheran Church, Rev. Paul Fossell's charge.

The convention theme will be "What the Women's Missionary Federation Means to Me?"

SEATTLE ORGANIST TAKES DULUTH BRIDE

SEATTLE (Aug.)—Miss Helen I. Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Johnson of Duluth, Minn., and Leonard Larson, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Larson, Port Blakely, were married Saturday afternoon, February 24, the Rev. Carl A. Bengtson officiating.

Marion Chell was maid of honor, and Stanley Thorson was best man. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride.

Theresa, Lutheran Church, Port Blakely, was the officiating minister. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride.

Spokane Church To Entertain ALC Meet

President L. Ludwig is busy completing preliminary arrangements for the tenth annual convention of the Northwestern District of the American Lutheran Church, Emmanuel Church, Spokane, Wash., the Rev. J. M. Groschupf, pastor, will entertain.

Preliminary committees will meet on Monday, April 15. Regular sessions will continue through Tuesday to Friday, April 20 to 24. It is expected that President E. H. Pappas, Dr. Henry F. Schuch, director of summer; Dr. W. M. Hering, pastor of parish education; and Home Mission Secretary E. H. Meuser will represent the interests of the American Lutheran Church.

All parishes of the Northwest are urged to elect their lay delegates at the quarterly business meetings of the congregations and to send in their credential blanks in good time.

At Seattle in the capacity of organizer.

Mr. and Mrs. Larson will make their home in Seattle.

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Since January 1, 1940 the following Loved Ones have been laid to rest in Pacific Lutheran Cemetery. May the memory of their lives be a constant inspiration to those who carry on—

SYLVIA A. STUB
RAYDOR O. RICHSTAD
SOREN G. HALVORSEN
AXEL J. ARONSON
ALFRED MAYER
GUSTAF GUSTAVSON
CHRIST T. OSTLAND
JOHN CHRISTIANSEN
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JONAS HALVAR
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Session Host



Portrait of a man, likely a host or speaker for the session.

Lutherans Launch Big Convention

Portland, Ore., April 22.—The annual convention of the Lutheran church in the United States opened today in Portland, Ore., with a session of the national conference of the American Lutheran church.

The convention, which is being held at the Hotel Astoria, will continue through Saturday. It is the largest gathering of Lutherans in the United States.

The convention closed Sunday. The national convention of the Women's Missionary society, headed by Mrs. J. A. Martin of Warren, a former Astorian, opens tomorrow in the Episcopal church building and closes Saturday.

Trustees Meet Today

Today's activities consisted of a preliminary meeting of the board of trustees, which began yesterday and continued through today. The group met with the Columbia hospital board, heard a report by C. O. Scherag, its superintendent, and dined with the hospital board last night at Green House restaurant.

Mothers told the trustees that the hospital last year had 1933 patients entered, provided 17,382 nursing

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THUR. AP. 23, 1940

Lutheran Business Meet At Church Meet

100 Delegates At Church Meet

Over 100 delegates and other church workers gathered for the annual conference of the American Lutheran church in the Trinity Lutheran church here today.

Dr. Lund Preaches

Dr. J. E. Lund, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, preached the opening service today. His theme was "The Church in a World of Change."

Women Also In Session

The women's conference of the American Lutheran church also met today. It is the largest gathering of Lutheran women in the United States.

Friday, April 26, 1940

Kiwanis Club Entertains Lutherans

Thursday was church day in Kiwanis circles this week with the club again entertaining for their regular weekly luncheon session with the hosts of Lutheran clergymen and laymen from all over Oregon and Washington here for their annual conference.

The host Baptist church trio including Mrs. Ruth Knolls, Mrs. Frank C. Olson and Ardelbe Thompson provided the musical feature of the program.

Laura Green accompanying them at the piano for their grand piano

The spring conference now at its eighth after a ten-year vacation. These gather-up enough figures in two weeks to keep the statisticians busy for ages. By then maybe Herr Hitler will want to count our noses. That would seem very odd, too, wouldn't it? The only thing they won't know when this census taking is over is what was the cause of it. Probably Roosevelt, from the aggregate grants and funds obtained at Washington from those that hope to deepener the country's need for the next ten years.

Spring is here so well as a new election year. The sun shines through the clouds as always, the flowers seem to be more beautiful and fragrant, and the politicians are gathered in their cars in twos and threes, flitting out to give out beloved "corrosive" and "toxic" substances who want to get in. Oh well, the populists will be richer because it's spring and more experienced because of the new crop of politicians. The turning of the coil is beneficial just as we don't have to survive any mud-slinging. Usually after the mud-slinging we have the dust-storms. Sling mud and you get dust in your eyes.

The warring factions in Europe have now at long last selected a referee to pick a competent referee. We suggest a little harmless tit-for-tat from India. A state of truce was declared several months ago, but they couldn't begin hostilities because nobody offered to entertain the party till Scandinavia was given a vote of confidence. Was it always a good thing for a country that can pitch the battles in some one else's front yard?

A neutral is a country which doesn't have anything and nobody, not even concrete diguissas. The Scandinavian peninsula turned a cheek both ways with the result that she got blitzkrieg on one side and the French and English equivalent on the other. The moral to be drawn from the present situation is, that where a country in Europe feels constrained to love her neighbors, the most sanitary method is to do it behind barbed wire entanglements.

Did you read in the Astorian-Budget what a fine hospital town Astoria is? Yes sir, Columbus and St. Mary's would do credit to metropolitan cities anywhere in this old world. And doctors—we have them as fine and expert-like as you could ever wish. And we also have other splendid health agencies, all to our good. Let's be proud of the many many good points in Astoria. But I have often wondered why, when the new Astoria was built commercial alleys were not built for our business stores. It would have helped much of our parking problem.

And here ends the guest column of the Rev. Mr. Kempe, a good man and a good Democrat. While we may or may not see eye to eye all the way with him, it has been mighty nice of our clergymen friend to say a few words here, when words are plentiful usually but not plentifully apt. The Rev. Mr. Kempe is at the time a very busy man, busy with his great church conference gathering and speeches but he has time to do the job of kind as he said he would. You can always depend upon a Democrat. A salute to him and the great church organization he represents in Astoria this week.

And now about that church room, huh? Mr. Kempe was called to St. Mary's mission, founded right here in Astoria, about a dozen years ago. He is a very busy man, but he has time to do the job of kind as he said he would. You can always depend upon a Democrat. A salute to him and the great church organization he represents in Astoria this week.

Lutherans Choose Officers

FRIDAY, APR. 26, 1941
Convention Goes
Into High Gear

The national conference annual convention, Lutheran Association of America, opened its first year in the 1941-42 session at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

The conference opened with a prayer service and a message from the Rev. J. W. Kempf, pastor of the First Trinity church, Minneapolis. The Rev. J. W. Kempf, pastor of the First Trinity church, Minneapolis, was the first speaker.

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Rev. Engstrom Talks

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More Movement

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ffective. The Utah and Montana churches already have indicated their desire to join the conference.

The conference is proceeding exceptionally smoothly. President Lund said this afternoon, "because of excellent planning by Rev. J. W. Kempf, pastor of the First Trinity church, and the board of administration as well as numerous committees. Motels have been served to more than a hundred people twice a day in the church parlors by the Ladies Aid. The pastors have remarked on the courtesy and hospitality of Astoria people."

Women in Session

The Woman's Missionary society officially opened its sessions at the Grace Episcopal church Thursday with Mrs. J. A. Martin, wife of the former pastor of Trinity Lutheran church of Astoria, and president of the conference, presiding.

The meeting was opened with a devotional service led by Mrs. C. R. Swanson of Seattle, recording secretary of the board, who used as her theme, "Witnessing Through Love." Working committees were then appointed following which reports of officers and department secretaries were read. The group voted to present a memorial to the president of the National Woman's Missionary society of the Augustana Synod, Miss Julia Finden, matron of the home, is present at the meeting. Miss Violet Henningson presented a vocal solo, and another solo was sung by Mrs. Josef Elmgren of Aberdeen.

Greetings from the local Lutheran churches were brought to the delegates by Mrs. Theodore Gulhaugen of the Norwegian Lutheran, Mrs. E. E. Torke of the Finnish Lutheran, and Mrs. J. A. Tofte of Bethany Lutheran churches, and Mrs. H. C. Tegelson, conference treasurer, read her report.

Mrs. Martin read the president's annual report at the afternoon session at which Mrs. Milton Nelson of Seattle, Wash., led the devotional service using as her theme "Witnessing Through Power." A vocal solo was sung by Mrs. Reuben Norling of Moscow, Idaho. Miss Finden also presented a vocal solo and greetings from various Lutheran organizations in the northwest were read.

A reception for women delegates was scheduled this afternoon in Trinity church parsonage, with Mrs. J. W. Kempf and Mrs. J. F. Christensen of Astoria as hostesses. Mrs. Kempf was in preside.

Mrs. Martin, the society president, reported excellent progress. She reported toward a \$1200 three-year quota for the conference for a national women's mission fund. The money has been completely raised by the end of 1941.

More About

Lutherans Assembling For Church's Convention

days of work for pastors, and that more than 100 delegates will be present. The first day was devoted to the report on the management of the national.

Rev. F. Arthur Larson of the First Trinity church in Astoria, one of the speakers, has presented Trinity Lutheran will through the conference. The Rev. J. W. Kempf, pastor of the First Trinity church, Minneapolis, will serve as the conference president. The Rev. J. W. Kempf, pastor of the First Trinity church, Minneapolis, will serve as the conference president.

Trinity Church Delected

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Lutherans Set for 26, 1941 Name Heads

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Convention Headquarters For Aug. and ALC Meetings Spokane Church

Will Be Host To ALC District

Northwestern District To Convene April 16-19; Five Executives To Be Present

SPOKANE (ALC) — Rev. Mr. J. M. Granger, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, will be the host church to the tenth annual convention of the Northwestern District of the American Lutheran Church, April 16 to 19. The Rev. J. M. Granger is the local pastor. The exterior of the interior of Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Ore., one shown at the left. Trinity Church will be the headquarters of the Columbia Conference of the Augustana Synod when it convenes on April 24 to 28. The Rev. J. Walton Kamps is pastor of Trinity.

There will be no less than five synodical officials in attendance, including the Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Poppen, president of the American Lutheran Church; the Rev. R. A. Tasse, secretary of foreign missions; Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, director of parish education; the Rev. E. H. Meuser, executive secretary of home missions; and Dr. Harry Schuch, synodical director of finance.

Managers of the convention will be the committee members of the committee meetings. The committee on home missions will be in session beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing through the afternoon. As many home missionaries as can make it possible should appear before this committee on Monday. The committee on stewardship and finance, under the chairmanship of Rev. Chas. A. Epke, will also have an all day session. Its chief item of business will be to redraft its constitution and to plan its future work to conform to increased scope. Director Schuch will lead the committee in this endeavor.

The committee on Kingdom Advance (church life and growth) will meet in the evening, also the committee on Credentials.

Director M. Pempel is desirous of calling the members of the pastors' chorus Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

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M-A-P.
MAINLY
ABOUT
PEOPLE

REV. E. M. BUTENSHON (ALC) of Pendleton, Oregon, reports a new address without having had the pleasure (?) of moving. Due to an entirely new plan of street naming and house numbering inaugurated by the Bound-up City, Rev. Butenшон's address has changed from 709 Raley to 811 Carden Avenue, N. W.

PLANS are being completed for the marriage of Mr. Herbert Hopp, former PLC student, to Miss Esther Thorsen of Seattle. Mr. Hopp, after completing his training for the ministry at the Capital Theological Seminary in 1938, has accepted a call at Cresline, Ohio.

PASTOR and Mrs. John E. Hatula of the Finnish Lutheran Church in Portland are the happy parents of a baby girl, Iona Marlin, born Easter Sunday, March 24, at Emmanuel Hospital. Their first girl arrived two years ago.



Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Spokane, Wash., shown above, will be the host church to the tenth annual convention of the Northwestern District of the American Lutheran Church, April 16 to 19. The Rev. J. M. Granger is the local pastor. The exterior of the interior of Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Ore., one shown at the left. Trinity Church will be the headquarters of the Columbia Conference of the Augustana Synod when it convenes on April 24 to 28. The Rev. J. Walton Kamps is pastor of Trinity.

Radio Station Broadcasts To Missionaries

General Electric Station Sends Weekly Messages To Missions Free

Friends and relatives of foreign missionaries of all denominations are invited to keep in contact with their overseas acquaintances by availing themselves of the international broadcast messages sent free of charge through the courtesy of the General Electric Company's powerful broadcast station, WGEB in San Francisco, Cal.

When the flow of messages for missionaries is of sufficient volume, there will be added a "Missionary Mail Bag" program on the first Sunday of each month. Records and correspondence indicate the reception of these Saturday messages in practically every corner of the world. Missionaries everywhere are invited to listen in on these Saturday morning programs and on the Sunday morning programs when announced later. Friends of missionaries are invited to write overseas and inform "the field" of the latest news; and missionaries are invited to inform their American friends of this free service. It is hoped that messages will

Welfare Association Prepares For Drive

PORTLAND—The Sunday of April 7 inaugurates the annual drive for funds by Lutheran Welfare Society. There will be a general exchange of pupils among the pastors on that Sunday. The messages will give emphasis to the importance of church members co-operating in order to promote works of benevolence among the needy and under-privileged.

The work of the Lutheran welfare association has been expanding year after year. The Lutheran Center has been a place of much activity within the last several months.

The welfare society celebrates its tenth anniversary this spring and plans are now on foot to commemorate this event in a special program and rally to be held on the afternoon of May 12.

TUNE YOUR RADIO

PORTLAND—Sunday morning at eight o'clock, April 14, Pastor Paul V. Randolph and the senior choir of Augustana Church will broadcast over station KGW under the auspices of the Portland Council of Churches.

The Augustana Church will also be in charge of radio services on May 26 and July 7.

have more meaningful and valuable content than just greetings, it is a service for "news from home."

All messages for broadcasting should be addressed to E. T. Buck Harris, manager, Station WGEB, 235 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, Cal.

—NLC News Bulletin

SLOVAKIAN LUTHERANS FACE DIFFICULTIES

A conflict between the Lutheran Church and the government has developed in Slovakia. The government will approve the Church's constitution only if two of the Lutheran bishops resign. The Church synod has unanimously declared its approval of the bishops and has protested against the government's interference in the affairs of the Church.

The official journal of the Lutheran Church has been forbidden. —NLC News Bulletin

Finland Still Needs Help Says Dr. Mees

Help for Finland is as necessary as ever even though Finnish-Russian hostilities have ceased, according to the Rev. Dr. Oscar C. Mees, director of the Lutheran Emergency Appeal for a \$500,000 war relief fund.

Reports from qualified observers indicate that the reconstruction of Finland and the Finnish Lutheran Church will require greater financial assistance than has already been made available, stated Dr. Mees. "The cessation of actual fighting does not mean that our Lutheran brethren are no longer in need of help," he said.

Dr. Mees also pointed out that there will be about 450,000 refugees from that part of the old Finland which has now been annexed by Russia. "The problem of caring for these people, until they can be resettled and reestablished will be enormously difficult and requires much moral and financial help. It is our duty to share this burden."

—NLC News Bulletin

NLCA Choristers To Rehearse For May 5

PORTLAND (NLCA)—As previously announced, the Pacific District Luther League Convention will be held in Bethlehem Lutheran Church May 3 to 5, with the Choral Union concert Sunday afternoon, May 5, at 3:30.

A preliminary rehearsal will be held in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Sunday afternoon, April 14, at 3 o'clock, with Prof. Gunnar J. Malmin of Pacific Lutheran College conducting. It is hoped that all Oregon choirs will attend this rehearsal, for upon them falls the real responsibility for the success of this year's Choral Union. If possible, a rehearsal will be scheduled Saturday evening, May 4, after the banquet and then the final rehearsal will be the afternoon of the concert at 1:30.

Choirs which have not yet secured copies of the music should procure them at once, and all singers should come to Portland supplied with the music.

The numbers to be sung are: "Temples Eternal," Christiansen; "Now Is Come Our Salvation," Pierre Dugues; "This Night, Christiansen; "Break Forth, O Beautiful Heavenly Light," Bach; "Beautiful Savior," Christiansen; "O Bread of Life From Heaven," Christiansen; "Wonderous Things the Lord Hath Done," Christiansen; "Prayer," Drosdorf.

AUG NOTICE

The secretary of the Columbia Conference (Aug) announces that the budget committee of the conference will meet in Trinity Church, Astoria, Ore., on April 22, at 1:00 p.m. The conference convenes at Trinity Church April 23 to 28.

National Guard Unit Worships On Easter

PORTLAND, (WLCN)—Holy week was observed in Bethlehem Church with communion services on Thursday evening in English and Friday forenoon in the Norwegian language.

Easter Sunday was a festive day. Lilies blanketed the whole front of the church which was filled to capacity. Both men and women choirs rendered beautiful selections during the morning hour of worship and Mrs. Rorvick sang "Open the Gates of the Temple".

Rev. O. K. Davidson used as his subject "The Christ of Easter." Forty-one were baptized and 27 other individuals were welcomed into the church as members of the congregation.

At the evening services the 218th Field Artillery of Oregon National Guard were special guests. Pastor Davidson is chaplain of this group and their presence on Easter Sunday for evening services is becoming an established custom.

Sergeant A. E. Rowe conducted Scripture reading and prayer and T. Rorvick rendered a beautiful solo "Forward for Christ" by O'Hara. "The Message of Easter" was the sermon topic which Chaplain Davidson developed comprehensively to a large audience.

Sergeant Kenneth McGrath sang in closing, "The Lords Prayer" by Malotte. A spirit of blessings permeated the services throughout the day.

Committees Elected For Welfare Drive

TACOMA—The board of the Lutheran Welfare Society at its first meeting following the annual meeting elected committees to carry on for the annual enrollment members.

The following committee members were chosen:

Finance committee: Attorney Theo. V. Norström; Theo. Larson, C. O. Lynn, Frank Christensen, R. F. Wolf.
Home: A. R. K. Kellner, Mrs. J. H. Westlund, Mrs. H. Berg, Mrs. Bert Sorenson.
Mission: Mrs. J. H. Westlund.
Nurses: Rev. E. Arthur Le.
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Hansen, Rev. E. Arthur Le.
son and F. C.

Committee for the Lutheran Home: Puyallup: Rev. J. P. Pfeiffer; Mabel Lund, N. W. Hageman; Rev. E. H. Jahr, Rev. P. B. Hoff.
The 1940 annual membership enrollment of Lutherans in the Lutheran Welfare Society will be conducted April 7 to 21. Meeting of congregational chairmen and workers will be at Luther Memorial Church, 8 o'clock, Friday evening, March 29.

The following appointments have been made for the enrollment: general chairman, Prof. J. P. Pfeiffer; campaign director, N. H. Hagness; congregational chairmen: Bethel, Lorimer I. Langlois; Immanuel, So. Tacoma, Rev. E. Arthur Larson; Bethlehem, North Steiro; Central, A. T. Kimer; First, R. P. Engvall; Holy, Rev. Larsen; J. Johnson, Mesiah, Dick Wagners, Grace, Rev. H. N. Svith, St. Paul's, Danish, Frank Christensen; Luther Memorial, Clarence Langlois; Olivet, Rev. C. A. Sorkoms; Our Savior's, Tom Stoen; St. Paul's, (Wice), J. C. Kaste; Trinity and Peace, Rev. Geo. Kitef; Trinity, Parkland, Cliff Olson; Zion, Ole Holstad, Pease, Puyallup, Karl Gerstmann; Paul, Arthur F. Yocum; Mountain View, Rev. E. S. Tollefson; Crownhill, Giv Harbo; Rev. Arthur Knutson; Auburn, Lloyd Strand; Immanuel, No. 14th and Stevens, A. Newberg.

OUR PERIPATETIC OBSERVER TALKS ABOUT

"Redeem the 1940 Post-Pentecost Season!"

The Danger
We all know by now that this year Easter was about as early in the year as it ever occurs. The next thing for church leaders to think about is that Pentecost comes similarly early, namely May 12. To a far greater extent than ought to be the case, Pentecost has become the dead-line for aggressive church work. Spring fever and the vacation bug have made inroads into the church morale of the rank and file.

The pastor has been under heavy pressure of an uninterrupted program since the beginning of September and so his little spirit left to try antidotes to both of above enemies of church life. He shrugs his shoulders, says, "It is no use to try to make it different," and allows the local congregation to slip into low gear, where it will stay till next mid-September.

In 1940 the peculiar danger is that the "King's business, requiring haste," will stay in low gear from May 12 until September 15. This is four months, one third of the entire calendar year!

It Need Not Be

There is nothing inherent in the situation that makes the slowing up of church work imperative as soon as Pentecost is past. This year especially we have a full month after the festival which we

ought to contend for as still belonging to the best season of the church's work-year. This writer is not willing to grant that even beyond that point next to no effort should be put forth to keep church life and work on a high level. But let us not argue about the summer period proper at this point. Let's concentrate on that month after Pentecost.

At the very latest, is the time to do something about it. Now it is for the pastor to resolve solemnly that he will not consider a vacation time. Now the organization and other church leaders need to plan next course, missionary efforts, and other definite pieces of work.

With the leadership prepared, with all purposes fixed, with a worth-while program announced and, perhaps, in part initiated, there is no reason that the 1940 Post-Pentecost season can not be redeemed for the most important work on earth: the work of ministering to souls, the work of building the Kingdom!

Whatever Jesus recommends for believers to practice is worth giving a fair trial.

It is easier to plan vengeance than forgiveness; maybe because we are more experienced in such planning.

NORTHWESTERN ONLY DISTRICT IN ALC RATING 100 PER CENT

The Northwestern Only District of the ALC, with 100 per cent of its synodical fair share of 1939 it was the only district of the ALC which succeeded in raising its apportionment 100 per cent.

A large number of the congregations fall. There is considerable syndicalism not included in the figures given show. Where an (*) follows the figure, it is an indication that the congregation has raised its share in full.

Local Church	Synodical Fair Share	District Total
American Falls, St. John's S. Lentz	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cammer, Emmanuel, St. Mesko	1,500.00	1,500.00
Genese, St. John's M. Hieske	1,500.00	1,500.00
Gifford, Good Hope, A. A. Bethman	1,500.00	1,500.00
Jerome, First Lutheran, E. W. Kasten	1,500.00	1,500.00
Julesburg, Zion, E. E. Krebs	1,500.00	1,500.00
Kellogg, Amer. in Lutheran, J. Hopp	1,500.00	1,500.00
Leavenworth, Trinity, E. E. Krebs	1,500.00	1,500.00
Lincoln, Valley, Luther S. Lentz	1,500.00	1,500.00
Lewiston, Peace, Vacant	1,500.00	1,500.00
Lynn Falls, American Lutheran, E. W. Kasten	1,500.00	1,500.00
Oregon	2,000.00	2,000.00
Aurora, Christ, S. Goldenman	1,500.00	1,500.00
Baker, First S. C. Gifford	1,500.00	1,500.00
Conchitus, Emmanuel, A. Wolff	1,500.00	1,500.00
Mackay, Christ, S. Goldenman	1,500.00	1,500.00
Newberg, Zion, O. J. Wolff	1,500.00	1,500.00
Oregon City, Zion, E. G. Wuest	1,500.00	1,500.00
Pendleton, Peace, E. M. Butenshagen	1,500.00	1,500.00
Portland, Faith, Chas. A. Epple	1,500.00	1,500.00
Portland, Peace, W. H. Hellman	1,500.00	1,500.00
Portland, St. Paul, O. T. Just	1,500.00	1,500.00
Salem, Christ, F. E. Theuer	1,500.00	1,500.00
Washington	2,000.00	2,000.00
Almira, Our Savior's, R. Oestreich	1,500.00	1,500.00
Bellevue, St. John's, C. Zimmerman	1,500.00	1,500.00
Chisholm, Grace, O. Connor	1,500.00	1,500.00
Chuckle Rock, St. Paul's, M. Keller	1,500.00	1,500.00
Chevelath, St. Paul's, L. Kutz	1,500.00	1,500.00
Colfax, Peace, Vacant	1,500.00	1,500.00
Cornell, Gidd, M. Pempelt	1,500.00	1,500.00
Davenport, Zion, F. Ahrendt	1,500.00	1,500.00
Douglas, St. Paul's, O. G. Ehlen	1,500.00	1,500.00
Elgin, Christ, Ahrendt	1,500.00	1,500.00
Endicott, Trinity, H. T. Witbeck	1,500.00	1,500.00
Farfield, Zion, O. W. Reitz	1,500.00	1,500.00
Farmington, Christ, Amor Matzke	1,500.00	1,500.00
East and Good Hope, H. Penning	1,500.00	1,500.00
Medical Lake, St. John's, H. Mau	1,500.00	1,500.00
Odesse, Christ, G. F. Busch	1,500.00	1,500.00
Paul, Anglos, Holy Trinity, E. Beilstein	1,500.00	1,500.00
Putnam, Trinity, W. F. Fritz	1,500.00	1,500.00
Puyallup, Peace, E. H. Jahr	1,500.00	1,500.00
Quincy, St. Paul's, L. C. Hagen	1,500.00	1,500.00
Seymour, Emmanuel, Karl Ufer	1,500.00	1,500.00
Ritzville, Emmanuel, E. A. Rein	1,500.00	1,500.00
Seattle, Bethlehem, E. R. Pfeiffer	1,500.00	1,500.00
Seattle, Queen Anne, E. G. Keerr	1,500.00	1,500.00
Seattle, Zion, H. P. Poland	1,500.00	1,500.00
Spokane, Emmanuel, J. M. Groschupf	1,500.00	1,500.00
Spokane, St. Peter's, L. C. Hagen	1,500.00	1,500.00
Sprague, John's, H. Mau	1,500.00	1,500.00
Tacoma, Luther Memorial, A. R. M. Kettner	1,500.00	1,500.00
Tacoma, Peace, G. H. Jahr	1,500.00	1,500.00
Tacoma, Trinity, G. Kille	1,500.00	1,500.00
Tacoma, Faith, F. Gesswinder	1,500.00	1,500.00
Walla Walla, Christ, A. F. Knorr	1,500.00	1,500.00
Walla Walla, Trinity, E. J. Moller	1,500.00	1,500.00
Wenatchee, Grace, Ph. Hoeser	1,500.00	1,500.00
Wilton, St. Paul's, R. Oestreich	1,500.00	1,500.00
Winlock, St. Paul's, M. Keller	1,500.00	1,500.00
Miscellaneous, Northwestern District	3,000.00	3,000.00

Poulsbo Church To Entertain Circuit

POULSBORO, Wash.—(WLCN)—The South Puget Sound Circuit will entertain the Portland, LaSalle, and Church, Rev. L. J. Fierco's charge, on April 10 to 12. First Theronians 5:31-11 has been selected as the convention text.

The first session opens at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10, when Dr. H. A. Stub will preach in the evening. Wednesday, April 11, O. Aasen is alternate. Rev. T. T. Ove will introduce the convention text at the afternoon session, 1:30 to 3:30 o'clock. Rev. M. L. Neving is the alternate.

English inspirational services will be held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. E. S. Tollefson and Rev. Carl E. Lasky will speak.

Wednesday's schedule includes free discussion periods at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. J. P. Knudson and Rev. P. B. Hoff are the speakers at the English Wednesday evening services. Free Bible lessons will also be held on Thursday at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

In their invitation, Rev. O. L. Hasiak, president, and Rev. J. P. Knudson, secretary state:

"Let us see if the Faith in Action movement in your congregation will not make a good contribution to the afternoon at this convention. May there be a better attendance at this circuit meeting than there has been at any of our circuit meetings for a long time. Work and pray for a blessed convention."

Mt. Baker Leaguers Meet in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The Mt. Baker League met in Vancouver, B. C., April 7-9. The league is a part of the Western Lutheran Church.

At the morning services, Rev. Horace Berkholder spoke on the theme "Kept for the Master's Use." Herbert Nystrom of Vancouver sang two solos, which were well suited to this Lenten period.

A campfire gathering was held in the social hall. The various leaguers brought their own sandwiches and were served a surprise dessert by the local league.

Before the afternoon service a caravan of cars toured Vancouver. One does not appreciate this city without having spots of interest pointed out to them. This was accomplished by having a Vancouver leaguer present in each car.

Eleanor Englund, district president, opened the afternoon meeting. Runar Nylund, of New Westminster, led in Scripture reading and prayer. A welcome was given by Clarence Landstrom, the local president.

Dr. W. F. Guse spoke during the afternoon on "Our Love, Our Silver, and Our Gold for Christ."

Pearl Plumbek, Norma Picard, Miss J. Finden, and Herbert Nystrom rendered musical numbers following the sermon. Anna Anderson gave a recitation, "The Touch of the Master's Hand." Evening services were in charge of the Everett league, Rev. Carl Benson, the pastor adviser, gave a Lenten meditation. The Everett league presented a play entitled, "The Challenge of the Cross."

At 7:30 the rally was brought to an end. All were glad that they had enjoyed the trip.

Parkland Girls Hear WMF Head

PARKLAND—"What Christ Say of the Mission?" was the topic chosen by Mrs. M. J. Hoberstad of Bushmish, district president of the Women's Missionary Federation of the

Theron Chapter's Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation at their March meeting with Mrs. G. J. Malmsten and Mrs. H. J. Larson and Miss Anna M. Nelson as assisting hostesses.

Vocal solos were furnished by Ruth Bengtson, a member of the Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation. A report of the South Puget Sound WMF convention at Mt. View given by Ruth Bengtson, a member of the Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation. The South Puget Sound circuit convention meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church, Parkland April 14, at 2:30 p.m. Ralph Bodding of Portland, district president, will preside at this meeting.

Ruth Bengtson, daughter of the Rev. Carl A. Bengtson of Seattle and a sophomore at PLC, was chosen to direct activities of the college LDR during the coming year. The remaining officers will be elected in the May.

Retiring officers are: Nina Anderson, president; Ruth Bengtson, vice president; Lenore Johanson, secretary; and Elizabeth Dahl, treasurer.

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Lv. Astoria	Lv. Meier
7:30 a.m.	Bus. Con. 7:45 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	Bus. Con. 9:15 a.m.
10:30 a.m.	Bus. Con. 10:45 a.m.
12:00 Noon	Bus. Con. 12:15 p.m.
1:30 p.m.	Bus. Con. 1:45 p.m.
3:00 p.m.	Bus. Con. 3:15 p.m.
4:00 p.m.	Bus. Con. 4:15 p.m.
5:00 p.m.	Bus. Con. 5:15 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	Bus. Con. 6:15 p.m.

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P. L. C. "CHOIR OF THE WEST" LEAVES MARCH 29 FOR TOUR OF EAST OF CASCADES



"Choir Of West" Ready For Tour

PARKLAND—Forty-seven members of the forty-year-old "Choir of the West" will leave Pacific Lutheran College March 29 for their annual 31 day spring tour in Eastern Washington and Idaho. The itinerary includes Yakima on March 29, with a radio broadcast at 5:30 a.m. and an evening concert in the First Presbyterian Church; Saturday, Kennewick; Sunday, Walla Walla and Ponderosa; Monday, La Crosse; Tuesday, Moscow, Idaho; Wednesday, Buhlville; Thursday, Fairfield; Friday, Shokan; Saturday, Wilsall; Sunday, Wendethree. Miss Rhoda Hokenstad, girls' school education director, will go along to see that members do not get too tired on the choir tour. "We'll be back in Parkland," announced last Monday. Last November Mr. Lonn and the mixed quartet in their tour of the Northwest country made arrangements for the choir concert this spring. It is five years since the P. L. C. choir has sung in Eastern Washington.

Included in the program under the direction of Prof. Gunnar J. Lonn will be:
Priceless Treasure! Behold the Song! Glinka
My Friends! Show Me All Things! Danish
Arr. by G. J. Lonn
Theodor Koffi
Fischer
New Spiritual
Handl
Arr. by F. Melius
Psalm 50 Arr. by Melius
Christians
Nun-Dimitis! Lullaby

Small Gifts

"I had a slender gift,
It was so small
It hardly seemed to be
Worth while at all.
"Until I read the tale
Of how a lad
Once gave the Lord, in faith,
What store he had.
"That simple food he gave
Richly increased
Beneath the Saviour's touch
Into a feast.
"Who, pondering on these things,
Can hope to measure
The power of God to make
Small gifts bear treasure!"
Author Unknown.

THE GREAT SIMPLIFICATION

An Editorial by V. K. Nikander, President Of Suomi College

A recent message from Bishop Lehtonen of Finland contains this striking statement about life in his country today. "A wonderful transvaluation is taking place: the great things are becoming great and small things small. Many an unnecessary burden is falling away and life is being simplified in a remarkable way."

What can be finer in the life of a Christian people than to experience richly the meaning and worth of its own faith? When men are confounded by the great questions of life and death, the complexities of civilization, the details of daily interests, quarrels, jealousies, and even much of the hustle and bustle of organized Christianity become unimportant. One sees more clearly again the things that count. When the supports fail, men turn again to God. Devoting themselves anew to a great aim, men find no sacrifices too great.

It may be that only in time of great crisis is such simplification even actually achieved. In Finland the transvaluation is an outcome of an otherwise tragic and terrible war. The fact remains, however, that Christianity constantly seeks such simplification. That suffering is sometimes necessary to achieve it, may be one of the reasons why Christians must sometimes suffer. Careful and troubled about many things, we Christians do not too easily forget the useful and important.

Christian education must continue to orient its house until Christian values are no longer viewed as merely some among many other good things in life. It is not enough that in theory we consider Christian truths of supreme value and importance while in practice they become only an incidental part of the total scheme of useful and worthwhile endeavors.

One cannot help but think in this connection of the average Christian college with its course or two in Bible and its occasional chapel devotions crowded into the corner by a hundred and one other worthwhile pursuits. Must our homes be bombed and our very life be placed at stake before we set about to simplify the whole business and place first things first?

The great simplification must come. Not only into the Christian college, where important things will take first place and lesser matters a second, but into the entire Christian enterprise, were

a clearer vision will bring new singleness of purpose.

The question is, must God add to what we already have and know, the force of tragic circumstance to awaken us to our responsibility?

LUTHER PRESIDENT VISITS WEST COAST

DEBORAH, Ia.—(NLCA)—Dr. O. J. H. Preus, president of Luther College, Decorah, Ia., left Easter Sunday afternoon for the West Coast where he will inaugurate a coast-to-coast drive for funds for the new girl's dormitory to be built next year. He will attend several alumni meetings in the interest of the proposed project, the first held in Seattle, Wednesday, March 27.

Cooperating with Preus is an alumni committee which has been planning the meetings. These will be under the leadership of Prof. David T. Nelson, '12, of Pacific Lutheran College, Parkland, Wash.; Rev. O. L. Haavik, '12, Seattle; Rev. S. J. N. Ylvisaker, '05, Stanwood, Wash.; Rev. Carl E. L. Lucky, '28, Kennewick, Wash.; and Rev. A. M. Kraabel, '17, Portland, Ore.

On Sunday March 31, Dr. Preus will preach the sermon at Rev. Kraabel's church in Portland, and on the dormitory meeting of Lutheran alumni there.

PORLAND CHOIRS TO GIVE JOINT CONCERT

PORLAND—The choir festival at the Lutheran churches in Portland has been scheduled for the Sunday evening of May 19. This musical event of interest will take place at the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

The different church choirs will appear in individual numbers and Stanley Glarum will direct the combined choirs in three anthems to cap the climax of this sacred musicale.

Old Gent: "What are you crying for, little man?"

Wullie: "My big b-brother d-dropped a b-big b-box on his toe!"

Old Gent: "That is surely nothing to cry about. I should have thought that you would have laughed."

Wullie: "I did."

NLCA Missionaries Speak At Portland

PORLAND (NLCA)—A successful regional evangelistic missionary conference was held in Central Lutheran Church March 3 and 4. The conference theme "The Christian Message in a Non-Christian World" was presented by four missionaries, Rev. O. P. Stavrus, Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Landahl and Rev. A. W. Haugen.

The meetings opened on Sunday afternoon with Rev. Egeen of Bend, Ore., presiding. Following devotions by Rev. P. J. Luvas of Eugene, Missionaries Stavrus and Landahl introduced the conference theme. Pastors Landahl and Haugen and Mrs. Landahl spoke at the evening session.

On Monday morning a very interesting and helpful conference between pastors and visiting missionaries was held. Some real problems were presented, especially those in Madagascar by Rev. Stavrus and in China by Rev. Landahl. The reporter states that no pastor walked away from this conference without further knowledge of missions and their problems.

The inspiring conference was concluded with an interesting and challenging service on Monday evening when the visiting missionaries delivered the messages. Rev. Haugen also showed films of the work in China.

The love for China and Madagascar, for their Christians and their heathens, was kindled anew in the hearts of those who attended this splendid missionary conference.

A rather stout schoolmistress was talking about birds and their habits. "Now," she said, "at home I have a canary, and it can do something I can not do. I wonder if any of you know just what that thing is?" Little bird missed his hand. "I know, teacher," he said. "I like a bath in a saucer!"—Clansmate.

NLCA NOTICE

When you are in Eastern Washington, please remember the time and place and plan to be there. —Mrs. M. Lono, pres.

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Dormitory Auxiliary Entertains At PLC

PAIRLAND—Pacifica Lutheran Church Dormitory Auxiliary entertained at PLC at the college recreation rooms.

Composed of women of Lutheran parents in Tacoma, PLC faculty and women whose husbands are officially connected with the school, this organization has as its chief objective the desire to acquaint many with the need for dormitory at PLC. During the 10 years the auxiliary has been functioning, it has added to the comfort and pleasure of the girl students by providing a radio, fudge kitchen, electric fixtures for the recreation room, furnishing for the guest room, and contributed to the development association from time to time.

The auxiliary was first organized under the leadership of Mrs. J. A. E. Nasse who opened her home to a group of interested women to discuss the need of a service club in the interest of PLC. Under succeeding leaders, Mesdames O. J. Stuen, Mikkel Lona, J. P. Pfeiffer, M. A. Christiansen and Theodore Kjaerum, the membership and enterprises of the club have greatly increased.

Music from PLC's music department characterizes each meeting. Seminars are held by members on different church schools, outstanding contemporary Lutheran churches, college dormitories and other phases in the club interests are

held and several large affairs have been sponsored for the pleasure of the college girls. The members also make a point individually as a body of Lutheran women to aid and befriend the college girls at PLC in all ways possible.

Officers for the year whose leadership has given the organization a new feeling and a firmer feeling of commitment as one of the organizations devoted to the PLC interests. Mrs. J. P. Pfeiffer is president and Mrs. J. A. E. Nasse is vice president.

Oregon City Parish Enjoys New Organ

OREGON CITY, Ore., (ALC)—Fervent dedication services of the new Guenther pipe organ on Sunday, March 10, and the dedicatory organ concert on Tuesday evening, March 12, had attracted many guests to Zion Lutheran Church. Members of the congregation are very happy over this latest addition to their place of worship.

On Easter Sunday evening, Prof. Lucian E. Becker of the Becker Conservatory of Music in Portland presented a beautiful concert on the new instrument.

Pastor E. G. Wuest reports that the Easter communion this year was the largest ever attended in the history of the congregation. One Dunbach has been appointed as representative to the local brotherhood on the Cotton Boy's Camp committee recently organized by the Lutheran Men's Association of the Portland area. Members of the local brotherhood also voted to contribute \$10 toward a fund for acquiring necessary equipment for the boy's camp.

Members of the church and many friends called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carter Troxel, March 28, to help them celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. It was also a day of joy for Mrs. Troxel's mother, Mrs. Marie Schult, who will be 95 in June, and is living with her daughter and son-in-law.

CHECK AND DOUBLE CHECK

Not so long ago we ran across an interesting little item which deserves wider circulation. A Presbyterian church sent the following questionnaire to the Rev. David H. Scanlon of Durban, N. C., concerning a candidate for the pulpit:

1. How old is he, and is he married or single?
2. How many children has he, and what are their ages?
3. Are any of his children unruly or uncontrollable?
4. Does wife take part in church work?
5. How long has he been preaching?
6. What churches has he served, and where?
7. Give name of clerk of session or some prominent member in each church served.
8. Where was he educated? Is he a D.D.?
9. Is he orthodox?
10. Does he have untimely ability?
11. Does he speak fluently or does he hesitate? Has he any impediment in his speech?
12. Does he read his sermons or confine himself closely to his manuscript?
13. Is he deep, doctrinal, logical, precise and teacher, or of the shallow, popular type?
14. What is his height, weight? Portly or slender?
15. Has he a strong personality, and is he a great talker?
16. Does he, he socially? Does he make friends?
17. Is he a good pastor?
18. Is he studious or of the opinion little preparation is necessary for his people?
19. Is he deeply spiritual?

20. Is he a good Sunday School man?
21. Is he level-headed, cautious, and tactful?
22. Any musical talent in family?
23. Is he wide awake, aggressive, and progressive?
24. How long has he served present charge and what salary does he receive?
25. Are there any invalids in family?
26. Why does he desire a change? Has he any deformity or physical defect?

Dr. Scanlon's Reply

"I have answered your enclosed questionnaire as best I could and return herewith. If I can serve you further in this matter, please feel free to call on me. I would suggest, however, that I would be in a better position to advise you as to the probable adaptability to your needs if I had information on the following points covered by the questionnaire found below; or, if you prefer, you may fill out same and enclose to the brother-in-question as it may assist him in arriving at his duty in the matter."

1. Why did your last pastor leave?
2. Has there ever been any dissension in your church?
3. What salary do you pay, and is it paid promptly?
4. Are your members faithful in attending public worship as a church?
5. If not, what per cent are "absent spirits"?
6. How is the midweek prayer service patronized?
7. What per cent of your elders and deacons lead in prayer?
8. Is the congregation responsive to the pastors' leadership?
9. How many titheers in your church?
10. Do the people enjoy strong sermons on stewardship and missions?
11. Are the members cautious and tactful in dealing with the pastor?
12. What is the average height and build of the congregation?
13. Are they generally of pleasing personality?
14. Do they prefer deep doctrinal sermons, or a spiritual, helpful, lovable gospel?

15. Will the people as a whole throw themselves zealously into soul winning with the pastor?
16. How many pastors have you had, and the length of each pastor's tenure?
17. Are there any chronic kickers in the church?
18. Does the congregation ever discipline members for drunkenness, gossip, dishonesty, or the neglect of such Christian duties as church attendance, forgotten family affairs, etc.?
19. What proportion of your church offerings goes to missions, and what do you spend for your own church?
20. Would you recommend your church as an attractive and inviting field to a pastor?
21. Are the people willing to follow their pastor, or are they inclined to let him go alone?
22. Do the parents encourage their children to Sunday School, or do they send them?
23. Do your people have family pews in church or do the children go home after Sunday School?
24. Do your people criticize their pastor before their children, or do they pray for him with them?
25. What constructive work has your church ever done in your community?
26. How many souls has your membership led to Christ since your church has been without a pastor?
27. What special opportunities does your church offer for the investment of a minister's life above that of other churches?

We like the idea. In fact, Dr. Scanlon's questionnaire provides an excellent check list for any congregation.

—AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Three-Hour Rites Well Attended

PORTLAND—The three-hour Good Friday service held under the auspices of the Portland Lutheran Ministerial Association was very well attended. The Augustana Church, where the service was conducted, was practically filled throughout the three-hour period.

Splendid messages were brought by Pastors Koehler, Ludwig, Nelson, Mattula, Bruland, and Lund. The seven words of Jesus on the cross.

Vocal numbers were rendered by Mrs. Rorvik of Bethlehem Church, Mrs. Lundgren and Mrs. Lanson of Bethel, Mrs. Butenschon of Peace, Olga Stoeck of Immanuel, Gladys Bolding of Central, and Pastor Nelson and Mrs. Randolph of Redeemer and Augustana churches respectively.

BROTHERHOOD LEADER VISITS NORTHWEST

SEATTLE (NLCA)—The Rev. Alvin E. Iverson, executive secretary of the Lutheran Brotherhood of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America addressed a mass meeting at Lutherans at Immanuel Lutheran Church last Tuesday. He is a well known leader of men and has just recently assumed the position as national director of the brotherhood with headquarters established at Minneapolis.

The invitation was conducted by the Rev. Dr. H. A. Stub, pastor of the host church.

Rev. Iverson was introduced by Arthur H. Olson, president of the Pacific District of Lutheran Brotherhood who also presided at this meeting.

Rev. Iverson has visited several coast cities and concluded his tour with a mass meeting in Everett on Monday and the Seattle meeting on Tuesday.

REARDAN MINISTER CONFIRMS 6 ADULTS

REARDAN, Wash. (ALC)—Emmanuel Church, the Rev. Karl Ufers, pastor, received six adults into membership on Palm Sunday by the right of confirmation, three of them also being baptized. For a congregation preparing to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the church, the pastor stated that the class studied Christian fundamentals for four and a half months and that the climax was a review of the chief doctrines before an invited congregation on the basis of a minimum booklet prepared and for distributed at this occasion.

ATTENDANCE RECORDS BROKEN AT OLYMPIA

OLYMPIA (Aug)—Attendance figures at Christ the King Lutheran Church during the ten-year pastorate of Rev. Elmer M. Johnson were broken on Easter Day. At the double services on Easter Morn. 400 people came to worship. The offerings totaled \$185.

Previous records were also surpassed on Holy Thursday and Good Friday evenings when more than 100 attended each of the services. A total of 81 communions took place.

The Gloria Dei Choir of 20 voices, under the direction of the pastor, rendered Ashford's cantata "Cross and Crown" on March 27. Soloists were Mrs. Ralph Carlson, Luella Mellum, Mrs. H. L. Olson, and Rev. Philip C. Wargman of Rochester.

Evelyn Haglund, the talented accompanist for the choir, E. G. Rice, Olympia organist, played a pipe organ concert at the opening of the program.

"AND PETER" IS EASTER SUBJECT

TACOMA (Aug)—A glorious climax to a blessed Lenten season was Easter Sunday at First Lutheran Church. The largest number gathered to hear the message of the resurrection, was a source of deep joy.

The pastor, Rev. Carl E. Rydell, preached on the theme "And Peter" which struck a responsive chord in the hearts of the worshippers. He said "If, like Peter, we deny the Saviour and break off our relation with Him, we should go back to Galilee the place where we had met Him before in the disciples and Peter were invited to do."

At the close of the service six children were baptized, three of them children of three sisters in the congregation.

On Sunday, March 31, the examination of the confirmation class will take place.

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NLCA Church Guilty Of Aiding ALC Group

KELLOGG, Idaho, (ALC)—To save the children of the neighborhood American Lutheran Church of Kellogg, Ida. the Rev. J. Hopp, pastor, has opened a branch Sunday school in Wardner. The attendance has furnished proof that the step was well advised.

When a congregation at an evangelical body remembers a mission of another with items of equipment, it certainly is worthy of note. Pastor Veldy's congregation (NLCA) of Moscow, Idaho, became guilty of such an act when they presented the Kellogg mission with fifteen folding chairs. Many thanks are due the synodical friend. May the ALC at Sandpoint, Idaho, with its fine new pews be somewhat at a repayment, even though the receiving congregation was not in the "new need" at the young mission in Kellogg.

—L.L.

FIRST NLCA REPORT ON PENNY-A-MEAL

The first report on the 1939 Penny-A-Meal came from Whitehall, Wisconsin. The Rev. G. G. Barkland, pastor, in the Synod's Lutheran congregation at Whitehall, brought \$300 and in the Lutheran congregation at Independence it brought \$110—HIS IS SPLENDID! We hope the results will be similar all over the Church.

Well begun is half done! Let us hear from you.

LEAGUERS INSPIRED ON LIBRARY PROJECT

Inspired by "Advertiser," Pastor Karl Ufer of Reardan, the Spokane Federation of the Northwestern District League of the ALC has launched a circulating library, which is to supplement the local league libraries. \$32 have so far been invested in new books. One enthusiastic leaguer making a personal contribution of \$25. More leaguers will add to the book fund.

The league on Emmaus Church Reardan is a stimulating reading by sponsoring a reading center by sponsoring two teens of young people. It is supposed the league team will have to buy more books for its own members to read and thus set even with the women.

LEADER OF MEN



The Rev. Alvin E. Iverson, Minneapolis, who is the executive secretary of the Lutheran Brotherhood of the NLCA, has visited the local brotherhoods in the Northwest during the past week.

DANIEL T. FLOTRE

PARKLAND (NLCA)—Last night for Daniel T. Flotre, who died at his home here on Tuesday morning, March 18, was held at Trinity Lutheran church on the following Thursday.

Mrs. Clifford Olson, son of "Den Store Hyde Flak and in Heaven Above." The Rev. T. O. Stenmark, pastor, of the Trinity Lutheran church, officiated at the funeral service on Thursday.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran church. Burial was in the cemetery.

Daniel Flotre was born in Norway in 1884 from where he came to America in 1924. He was graduated from the Liberal Arts Department of Pacific Lutheran College in 1934. He was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Olson of Parkland on Dec. 7, 1934.

Mr. Flotre was a member of the Trinity Lutheran church. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran church. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran church.

MRS. LYDIA GUNDERSON

SEATTLE—Mrs. Lydia Gunderson, 70, of Bethel, LaBelle, died at her home, Mrs. Gunderson was born at Dr. Kall, Ill., on March 18, 1869.

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WORSHIPERS THROUGH CHURCHES ON EASTER

SEATTLE (NLCA)—Worshippers thronged Seattle churches Easter day as seldom before. All churches report capacity crowds.

The traditional "Sunrise Service" at Ballard First Lutheran Church, the Rev. T. L. Havell, pastor, at 6 o'clock in charge of the Y.P.L. League, filled the large auditorium.

At 10 o'clock the church was filled to overflowing.

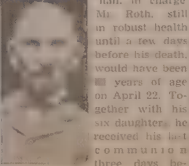
Service at 11:30 a.m. (Norwegian) at the Sunday School Easter program in the evening, the church was fairly filled.

OBITUARIES

CENTENARIAN SUMMONED

PORTLAND—(ALC)—Funeral services for Christian Gottlieb Roth, for many years a devoted member of Pentecost Peace Lutheran Church, were held on March 18, with his pastor, the Rev. G. H. Bellman, in charge.

Mr. Roth, still in robust health until a few days before his death, would have been 100 years of age on April 22. Together with his six daughters, he received his last communion on three days before his passing. For this man of God death came as a peaceful slumber.



Mr. Roth was born in Habelschelch, Germany in 1841, came to America in 1888, married Fredricka Dorothy Dettloff in 1875. He spent 27 years in Bay City, Mich., and the last 23 years of his life in Portland. Although he was blind and hearing deprived him of the pleasure of coming to his church, he was visited weekly by his pastor, who always felt him as the presence of a noble Christian faith.

Years ago he had made some arrangements with his then pastor, the Rev. L. Ludwig, for his funeral service, choosing his favorite hymns and selecting as his text these words: "Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom". He was a devoted, humble Christian who's life had lived itself out for his name. He fell asleep early Friday morning, March 15.

Surviving are two sons, six daughters, 25 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. The 25 grandchildren have memorialized their grandfather with in Memoriam in the WMJ of the American Lutheran Church.

A number of individuals have given memorial gifts to the organ fund of Peace Church in his honor.

All of us accept, "Until seventy times seven" from God, though limiting ourselves to "Seven times seven" in forgiving others.

MRS. ANNA BEHRENS

SEATTLE—Mrs. Anna Behrens, 70, of Seattle, died at her home on Saturday morning, March 26, from Peace Church.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran church. Burial was in the cemetery.

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Seattle Ladies' League Elects

The Lutheran Women's League of Seattle held its bi-monthly meeting Monday afternoon, March 25, at Bethany Lutheran Free Church. Mrs. B. L. Nesvig conducted the opening devotion using the Easter story as her text.

Reports from various committees, most notably from the finance committee, were presented. Mrs. J. A. Gies, president, reported the committee's work for the past year.

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VICTORS IN CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL PLAY



Central Lutheran (NLCA), winner of the second round of the Portland YMCA Interchurch Basketball League defeated Tabor Methodist, first round winner, last week to capture the city championship. First row, from left: Donald Erickson, Walter White, Elven Mattson, Clinton Rognstad, Wendell Benedict, Back, Victor Thompson, O Davidson, Dutch Speltstosser, coach, and Robert Mac

24 Members Join Puyallup Church

PUYALLUP, Wash. (AP)—The following 24 people were received into the Lutheran church at Puyallup, Wash., during the past week: Mrs. J. A. Gies, president, reported the committee's work for the past year.

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Portland Choir Has Busy Season Ahead

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—The Portland Lutheran choir, which has been active in the city since its organization last year, is planning a busy season ahead. The choir, which is composed of men and women, is planning to give several performances during the coming year.

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Tacoma District Meets At Auburn

AUBURN, Wash. (AP)—The Tacoma District pastors together with the district WMS will conduct a one-day meeting at Messiah Lutheran Church, Rev. E. Arthur Larson, pastor, on Tuesday, April 2. At the ten o'clock opening devotional services, Rev. Carl A. Benson will speak on "The Resurrection of Christ Begets a Living Hope." Business sessions will follow the devotions.

At 11 o'clock Rev. Carl E. Rydell will introduce a discussion for the pastors on the topic "More Frequent Communion."

The Women's Missionary Society under the leadership of Mrs. Carl E. Rydell, will have charge of the afternoon service beginning at 2 p.m. Rev. Roger P. Oliver will speak on "The Resurrection of Christ Inspires Missionary Zeal." District President Joseph C. Elmer and Rev. Bernard Spang will

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The Astorian Budget
Astoria, Oregon

ATTENTION: The Editor

Dear Sir:

It is a pleasure for the undersigned to forward to you the following resolution which was adopted by the Columbia Conference of the Lutheran Augustana Synod at its recent convention in Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria:

"Resolved, that the Columbia Conference express its sincere appreciation to THE ASTORIAN BUDGET and its staff for the splendid coverage given the conference convention at Trinity Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, April 24 to 28."

The entire delegation was most happy for the privilege of spending these days in your city.

The delegation noted with pride the excellent progress made by the Lutheran institutions in Astoria which are affiliated with the Columbia Conference, namely, the Columbia Hospital, under the supervision of Mr. C. O. Moberg, and Trinity Lutheran Church, under the able leadership of the Rev. J. Walton Kempe.

Yours very truly,

Elmer M. Johnson, Secretary

The Columbia Conference

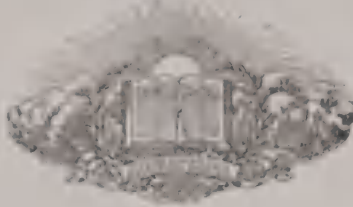
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The Oregon Journal
Portland, Oregon

ATTENTION: The Editor

Dear Sir:

The Columbia Conference of the Lutheran
Augustana Synod in convention assembled at Trinity
Lutheran Church, Astoria, Oregon, April 24 to 28,
passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Columbia Conference
express its sincere appreciation to THE OREGON
JOURNAL for the splendid publicity given the con-
ference during its convention at Astoria."

It is a pleasure for me to forward this
message to you.

Yours very truly,

Elmer M. Johnson, Secretary

Woman's Missionary Society

Augustana Lutheran Synod of America

Columbia Conference

Warren, Ore.

Dec. 7th. 1939

Rev. J. Walton Kempe,
284 - 16th. Str.,
Astoria, Ore.

Dear Rev. Kempe:

In behalf of the Columbia Conference Woman's Missionary Society I thankfully accept your kind invitation to hold our 1940 convention at Trinity.

It is customary that the W.M.S. have Friday night of the convention week for their festival. May we also have that for 1940? This past year we had our Jr. and Y.W's. program on Saturday in the host church. We had a fine response. May we have it thus again in 1940? Will there be a "tea" for the W.M.S? Where will the women have their business sessions? Will there be a Brotherhood banquet and how much per plate?

Kindly let me have an answer to these questions by Jan. 20th. and too what the registration fee will be.

I think this takes care of my part of the convention plans. May God richly bless our united efforts to glorify His name among men.

Greetings!

Agnes Martin
Agnes Martin (Mrs. J.A.)

December 12, 1939

The Rev. S. E. Engstrom
415 Harvard Street, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Brother Sig:

For various reasons do I want to write you a letter before the year ends.

First, we often speak of you and yours, and trust that you are overcoming some of the many "obstacles" that no doubt lie in the way of the great program of our Home Mission work. I bet you feel like saying worse than "apple-sauce" many a time. Well keep going boy -- results will come. Many of us are with you.

I suppose you know that our field man has undergone a major operation and is therefore laid up. Yesterday we heard that he was home with a nervous breakdown. Now true this is, we know not. This we know that not much has been done in these parts yet. And there is so much to be done out here. Sig, you cannot imagine the challenges, and if worked right, the possibilities. Then, too, we have not a few calves that should have been weaned long ago or sent to the cannery factory. Human sympathy and personal back-scratching has taken and is taking the place of christian horse-sense in the matter of sinking money into out-of-the-way places where there is no future. If you have time some day make a study of the numerical growth of our work (in toto) during the last 10 or 15 years in Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and Spokane. Lutherans galore in these places but not reached. The same is true in our Astoria-town of 10,000 people. And we can not blame communism for all the tardiness in growth.

I believe you should come out here for a study of the conditions. Our conference will meet in Astoria April 24-28, 1940. I understand the pastor local arranges almost entirely the whole convention program. That being the case I want to put on a real Home Mission festival on Thursday evening, April 25, and I want you to be the speaker. I am also inviting Dr. Bersell for the week (not sure that he can come). But at the Home Mission festival I want you to have full time for a real appeal. You would also speak at other sessions during the week.

It would delight us to have you out here for a few days. You would see the mighty Pacific with its swells. Were you here now you would hear its roar during some of our winter storms, although we are nine miles from the breakers. Out here we have mild weather all winter with gobs of rain. I mowed our lawn yesterday and it will be green all winter.

But of most importance is our missionary cause. It just makes one feel suppressed when you see the possibilities and at the same time the leadership indifference. Something can be done and must be done.

Gethsemane, Seattle has received no from Dr. Mattson. Would that we could place a man of the Walter Peterson type in that charge. Have you any suggestions that you could confidentially slip to me? Through my brother-in-law I have an entre with Dr. Unis, one of their leaders.

Well, so much for this time. Best regards to your whole family from us all. Will be seein' you in April.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

P. S. Our Paul is sophomore at Oregon University at Eugene, Oregon. Eugene is with the Penny company here -- a pretty good job, since this is a strict union-town. Barbara is in 11th grade High School.

December 12, 1939.

The Rev. Dr. P. O. Borsell,
415 Harvard Street, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Dr. Borsell:

The Columbia conference will meet here with us, April 24-28, 1940. Since much of the program is arranged by the local fly-pilot I take the liberty to invite you to be present at our convention as much of the week as you possibly can spare. You know we are very anxious to have you with us.

I have sent invitation to the Rev. Mr. Engstrom to come out for this convention also for he should see the mission possibilities in Columbia at close range. But we want you to be present for Trinity wants to give the community the strongest possible program at this convention. It will mean much for Trinity's prestige in the city. Therefore, try to arrange your schedule so as to include our convention on your spring jaunt.

We will appreciate hearing from you very soon for we want to begin working on the program shortly after New Year's.

With greetings from the web-feet
in Astoria.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

December 12, 1939

Mrs. J. A. Martin
Warren
Oregon

Dear Mrs. Martin:

Your letter of December 7 at hand. Thanks!

In answering your questions it is understood that our suggestions are subject to the approval of our conference president, the Rev. Dr. Lund. I am mailing copy, therefore, of this letter to him.

With Trinity it will be acceptable to give permission to WBS to take the Friday evening hour for the society's annual festival.

I think it can be arranged so that your Saturday program can be held in the Trinity sanctuary. Your sessions will otherwise no doubt be held in Grace Episcopal church or some other nearby place. I am sure our women will arrange for the "tea". Do you have any suggestion as to the Saturday night banquet? It could hardly be called a Brotherhood banquet at Portland for the women far outnumbered the men. In Iowa the men and the women had separate banquets at the same hour, when they have banquets. At one convention in Red Oak there was no banquet but a large rally to which both men and women were invited. The Brotherhood officers of the conference had charge. An imported speaker addressed the rally. But maybe we better not break with tradition. What do you think?

The registration fee will again be \$5.00. The Rev. Mr. Odell last year told me that pastor's wives, when accompanied with their husbands, do not pay the fee in the Columbia conference. I have no other information re this matter but if that is the decision then we will not ask for a change. We hope the women, not hitched to preachers, will not take offense to this class distinction.

In the matter of the program we assume that you will inform us as to what numbers we are to furnish. We will arrange for organist for all sessions in our own sanctuary. If Grace church is used for your day programs it

would be well for you to designate some one from your group to serve as organist. This of course is a minor matter.

We are hoping that Thursday evening may be set aside for a Home Mission festival with the Rev. S. E. Engstrom as speaker. If the conference officers will allow this, and, provided Pastor Engstrom can be with us, it would be well if he were used at some of your day sessions for short "addresses". With the permission of the conference we will invite the Rev. Dr. Norvall to come to Astoria, but I am fearful he cannot be with us this year since he was present at Portland last year.

We want to help you make this an impressive convention and we solicit your help and suggestions. If we can arrange the program early it will be to everybody's advantage.

With greetings from home to home, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Dalton Kempe.

Warren, Oregon.
Dec.14,1939

Pastor J.Walton Kempe,
284 - 16th.St.,
Astoria, Ore.

Dear Pastor Kempe:

Thank you for a prompt reply to my questions. I shall answer immediately, as I have "millions" of things to do and the sooner I get them off my hands the better.

As to our Friday night festival we have always had a guest organist. This year I have in mind our new pastor's wife at Yakima, Mrs Spong, nee Heede, an excellent organist. She will be asked to be guest organist. We have had Mrs.Oliver for several years and she is very fine. Otherwise for Saturday we will appreciate if you furnish the organist. As for pianist at our sessions we use, as a rule, a visiting musician.

Your statement in respect to the Brotherhood banquet made me laugh, however very true. As to the idea of separate banquets for men and women - well it just won't work. Last year at our 25th. anniversary I pulled hard for it, but some women love their husbands too much! That is the reason we had the Saturday noonday luncheon, and it was counted in on the regular registration fee. You plan as you wish. Why not have a Brotherhood business session apart from a banquet and then have a "Convention Fellowship Banquet" omitting a disagreeable business session. Yes the women have always outnumbered the men.

Yes, we lucky (?) preacher's wives make free sailing at Conference meetings.

In respect to music, we use as much visiting talent as possible. I should like to have the Trinity Ladies Chorus appear at one of the sessions, also a number from the Y.W.group. Please send me titles of numbers as soon as possible. It is customary that the pastor's wife give the welcome to delegates of the W.M.S. Please!

The hostess will be in full charge of the program at the "TEA". What day is preferred for the "TEA"? I would like to know before I go to the board meeting in Seattle in January when we arrange for our other sessions.

Very sincerely,

(Mrs J.A.) Hagar Martin

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Rev. J. Walton Kempe,
284 16 St.,
Astoria, Oregon.

Dear brother:

Thanks for letter and copy of letter to Mrs. Martin.
All the plans mentioned in Mrs. Martin's letter are all right
with me. It is all in line with what we have had in former
years.

Yes, pastor loci generally makes a draft of the
program - subjects, speakers etc - and submits it to yours
truly. I think that is a good idea, as it gives a little
variations for each year. As a rule we are able to use all
the pastors in one capacity or another. But we should perhaps
see that each one gets a different part each year. If Dr.
Bersell comes he will, of course, be given right of way.
I shall write him also and ask him to come.

I was in Minneapolis last week, attending the meeting
of the Synodical Home Mission Board. Rev. J. Herman Olsson
is to have temporary charge of the work of Dr. Swanson. But
there is nothing hanging fire right now, that I know of.
Norbeck has been extended a second call to Vancouver - New
Westminster, and is expected to accept.

Best wishes to you and yours for a Blessed Christmas.

Carl A. V. Lund

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December 19, 1939

The Rev. J. Walton Kempe
284 Sixteenth Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother:

Thanks for your letter of December 12.

I am glad to receive such early notification of your Conference meeting. Much as I would like to attend it is somewhat questionable that I will be able to do so, for undoubtedly there will be other Conference meetings the same week. If so, it is only fair that I attend such Conferences that I did not attend last year.

I am planning to send Pastor Engstrom into your territory next spring. If I do not come at the same time I hope that I will be able to do so in the not too far distant future. In the meantime we will keep the matter open and see what happens. Greetings to Barbara! Tell her that when I come we will find out who it will be that will do the ducking.

Fraternally yours,

P. O. Bersell

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January 3, 1940

Rev. J. Walton Kempe
284 Sixteenth Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother:

Thanks very much for your letter of December 12. I was surely happy to hear from you and to know that you are right on the job as always. Thanks very much for the information which you gave us. We certainly agree with you that the great Northwestern is one of our given areas in America today. I honestly feel that we should get in and really do a lot of progressive mission work in that whole area. In the near future we hope this is going to be possible.

We regret very much that Dr. C. Rubert Swanson has taken so ill. We want to assure you and the men in Columbia, however, that we are going to do everything possible to keep up with the work and make as rapid strides as our funds will allow.

Personally, I am going to take everything you have said to heart, and assure you that I hope to be able to make the study of conditions which you suggest.

Unless something develops within the next week or two, I feel perfectly safe in accepting your kind invitation to come to the Columbia Conference Meeting and be the Home Missions speaker on Thursday evening, April 25. The Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions meets today. This is an emergency meeting caused by the unexpected and untimely death of Pastor Danielson. Unless this situation makes a change necessary, my plans now involve attendance at both the Columbia and California Conference Meetings.

It was certainly nice to hear how well the boys and Barbara are doing. Regarding Rub Youngdahl and the Minnesota University Football team, I believe he has for once been silenced.

Rev. J. Walton Kempe

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January 3, 1940

The Marshalltown men sent him a special message asking him if the rumor that Chicago University and Minnesota were giving up football could possibly be true.

Ida joins me in extending to you and your family our sincerest greetings and best wishes for a happy, blessed new year.

Faternally,

S. E. Engstrom
S. E. Engstrom

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February 7, 1940

The Rev. S. E. Engstrom
415 Harvard Street
Southeast Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Brother Engstrom:

Your letter of several weeks ago received. We are glad to hear that you can be here for the Columbia Conference Convention, April 25. We will plan the Home Mission Festival for the evening of that date and you will be the principal speaker.

I have chosen as theme for the convention, "The Lordship of Christ." Frame a subject for your address that will fit into that theme and send me the same very soon.

Another situation prevails here in Astoria, and it reads like this--the Kiwanis Club meets every Thursday in our church basement and at the meeting during convention week we put on the program. There will be present the Kiwanians, as well as the men and women of the convention. I want you to give a twenty-five minute address at this meeting. Will it be possible?

A number of my men besides myself belong to Kiwanis, and it includes some of the finest men in Astoria. They are not afraid to hear the church speak. If you can comply with this request, send me in early April your subject so that I may notify the program chairman of the same.

Dr. Bersell has informed me that he doubts very much the possibility of his presence at the convention this year. Tell him that our invitation is still open.

However, let us know how much of the week you can spend here, for I believe the women will also want to place you on their program.

Awaiting your reply and with greetings from home to home, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

February 7, 1940

The Rev. Dr. Carl A. V. Lund
1005 Third Street
Mount Vernon, Washington

Dear Dr. Lund:

From now on I will have to pester you with an occasional letter relative to the Conference Convention. In a few days I will have ready the first draft of the program. If it meets with your approval, and unless I hit upon something better, the theme of the convention will be, "The Lordship of Christ." This was the theme for the Universal Prayer Week of this year, but I doubt that many churches followed it in detail. Will I be presumptuous if I suggest that your sermon theme be, "The Lordship of Christ in the World?" The meditation subjects for each day will hook in with your subject and sermon.

I wish you would suggest to me, topic or topics for the Pastoral Conference. I have thought of the following: "Buckmanism," "Home Missions," "The Lutheran Church in relation to the present wars in Europe," "The church and the so-called social gospel."

There are also some other things I want to ask permission and advice. In the opening service on Wednesday evening we want all the pastors to take part in the procession, dressed in the Augustana Ministerial garb--no surplices or stoles or such things. In the same procession we want the lay delegation to follow the Ministerial group. Will it be permissible for me to send out notice to this effect?

On Thursday noon the convention will no doubt eat lunch with the Kiwanis Club, since our ladies serve this club each week. I have the privilege to assign some one to speak in their program that noon. Do I have your permission?

Another matter which would deviate from previous practices in Columbia, may we close the convention with a "Heavy" rally on Sunday afternoon? I would like to bring in an outside speaker. Whom would you suggest, and would the conference pay his fare?

I have thought of O. A. Elmquist, Herman Olsson, Tinglestad of Parkland. Rev. Engstrom will be here in the week. It is unlikely that Dr. Bersell will come for the convention. If either of these were here over that Sunday I would be pleased to use them.

One more thing for this time. In Iowa the conference paid for the printed program and received the rally offering on Sunday afternoon. The printed program at Portland last year was very cheap for it was mimeographed, since I understand the local church had to pay for it. We want to have our program printed by commercial printers this year. What is your reaction to this request? Since the preacher's wives do not pay registration fees, and since the big bulk of the women delegates are preacher's wives, the convention income is materially reduced. Pastor Odell mentioned this to me last year. At the same time we want the convention beautifully taken care of in every detail.

I would appreciate reply from you at the earliest date possible. Later I will have to come again with further askings. May we be given grace for a blessed convention to the honor of our Saviour.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe

February 7, 1940

The Rev. O. T. Engquist
1210 Southern Surety Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Brother Engquist:

And why so "careful" about adding a word or two when I sent the remittance the other day? Well, I did not have time to write. But I would appreciate your sure vindravor for I know that you are so anxious both to hear from me as well as concerning my pension fund welfare. No doubt you will receive from me henceforth and for aye, a small remittance each month to be apolied first on 1939 and then on current assessments. I believe it will be possible for me to catch up with all the arrearages before the end of this year. Will that keep my standing alive so that my beneficiaries would not lose in the event of my demise?

We understand that you have had black and white weather in Des Moines during the last few weeks. Good luck to you and your cold weather. Out here we've had plenty of rain, but also not so little sunshine and many flowers are blooming. There has been considerable flu and other epidemics but the folks here feel that we have had a nice winter. The lawns are green, and once in a while you hear a lawn mower rolling.

We're glad to hear of your good health. Take care of yourselves in every way. We will be interested in seeing what progress grace will make in Grandview in their financial campaigns.

Will you be able to make the Columbia Conference for the convention, April 24-28? We will be more than pleased to have you here for a few days. Pack up the Mrs. and boy, and come out for a stay. You know we will be tickled to have you. Let me know soon. The family joins me in extending to you and yours, as well as the Gustafsons, sincere greetings.

Yours as always,

J. Walton Kempe

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284 16 St.,
Astoria, Oregon.

Dear brother:

Had a card from Dr. Elmquist saying that they had invited Dr. Sebelius for their Conference meeting. Dr. Bergendoff wrote some time ago that he wish that the Seminary could be represented. And I for my part would be glad to have Sebelius some place on our program. If you agree will you send him the invitation or should I. I hope that it does not mean that we pay the expenses. Anyway, I suppose he has passes, and we would divide with California.

Fraternal'y

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Dear brother Kempe -

Our letters must have met on their way. Thanks for yours. It came yesterday, and I shall answer each question in order.

1. The General theme for the Convention "The Lordship of Christ" OK.
2. The subject of my sermon "The Lordship of Christ in the world" OK. I would be glad to get an idea of how - or what you have in mind.
3. Subjects for Pastoral Conference. I may add two to your list:
1) The local Church and 2) The Church at large (Samfundet). Both subjects may be too broad. Perhaps one could say: The pastor and the local Church etc.
4. Processions and Aug. Ministerial garb. OK.
5. Lunch with the Kiwanis Club. - I can see how it would be hard for you to arrange it otherwise. But I can also see how some might shake their heads. It might be good policy not to give them reason to. But I am not saying "no".
6. Close with the Afternoon Rally. Yes, let us try that. Engstrom expects to be here and I would suggest him for speaker, unless Bersell is here.
7. Conference to receive the Sunday afternoon offering, and pay for the printing of the program. Fine, we should be money ahead.

Just got to thinking about the garb. Edlund and Renhard have no gowns, and I guess Karlstrom and Thunberg are in the same boat. But they should wear "prästock och krage" which is also acceptable.

I have one pet idea, and that is to do away with verbal announcements as much as possible.

Well, that seems to take care of it for this time. Come again.

May God give us a blessed convention, guided by His Holy Spirit.

Fraternal greetings to you and yours.

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Rev. J. Walton Kempe,
284 16 St.,
Astoria, Oregon.

Dear brother:

Thanks for minutes from the Portland District meeting.

The phone just rang and it was a telegram from Dr. Sebelius that he will not be able to be with us. If the Seminary will send some one else I do not know.

About "Budget Questionnaire". It seems to me that the pastor's report to the Conference President covers that. It is supposed to give a true picture of the past year; the membership as of Jan. 1, 1940; decrease or increase; the financial status in full; proposed activities for 1940; and prospects for increase or decrease in membership for 1940. I think we have it all there, and I shall bring those reports to the budget meeting which is to be held at Astoria, Monday, April 22, 10 a.m. This date was set at the Board meeting last Tuesday and we hope that it will be OK with you folks.

About investigating the possibilities for new Home Mission Fields I don't expect much to be done before we get our own Field director, but the names of the places you mention will be kept on file.

Pastor Olsson is spending one week at Corvallis in order to form some idea of what might be done there and at other schools as to Lutheran work among the students.

About the work in Missions I feel that your District should be best able to give worthwhile information and recommendations. Olsson, of course, knows nothing about it. I think that that, too, will have to wait until we get a Director of our own.

Fraternally

Carl A. V. Lund

Trinity Lutheran Church

FRANKLIN AND SIXTEENTH STS.

ASTORIA, OREGON

J. WALTON KEMPE

PASTOR

284 SIXTEENTH STREET

March 4, 1940

The Rev. Carl S. Odell,
626 N. W. 19th Avenue,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Brother Odell:

I will appreciate receiving the following statistics on last year's conference convention.

Number of paid-in-full registrations. 36

Number of pastors' wives who "went free." 12

Number of part time registrations. 3

Total amount paid by these. \$ 186.00

Approximately how many, in addition to those registered, took meals. 45

Did the pastors' wives pay for banquet tickets? No

Other information that might be helpful to us:

Brother Kempe:

The item of concern I think is the number of delegates to a Columbia Conference gathering. During my eight years here in the Conference I believe I can safely say, that the delegation averages about 75 or 85 persons. If one plans for about 100 one is within a safe margin.

One observation last year was that our people are becoming "hotel folks." A goodly number of them make no reservation, making it rather difficult for the host congregation, creating much uncertainty. You may not have that problem to face in a smaller city. All in all, however, the experience of serving as host is a fine training for any congregation, and a real enrichment in so many ways. God bless your preparations, and make this an outstanding Conference to God's glory.

Grace Lutheran Church

PACIFIC AVENUE & MAGNOLIA STREET
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

A. L. LANGHOFF, PASTOR

RES. E. 1814 PACIFIC AVENUE
PHONE LAKEV. 2478

March 5, 1940.

Pastor J. Walton Kempe
Astoria, Oregon

Dear brother in Christ,

I shall be happy to do what I can in addressing the Fellowship Banquet on Saturday evening, April 27th. Since no text or theme is given, I take for granted that I may choose something suitable for the occasion.

Newspapers of Spokane are: Spokesman-Review and the Daily Chronicle. Spokane is only address necessary.

God grant us a blessed convention.

Sincerely in Christ,

A. L. Langhoff

Rev. J. A. Edlund

5218 Greenwood Ave.

Seattle, Wash.

3-6-40

Rev. J. Walton Kempe, Astoria, Oregon.

My dear Bro. Kempe.

Grace & Love.

Thanks a lot for the Conference program. God willing, mother & I will be there & I shall gladly take my part on the program on Sunday.

I will not, however, come as vice pastor of Bethsemane. My tenure of office closes on Palm Sunday. Rev. Carl E. Haterius has been called & accepted the position till they get a permanent pastor. Rev. Sandgren of Duluth has not yet accepted, but if he does, he will not be here until Sept. Please send pastor Haterius a program. He will be here by Good Friday. Address 911 Stewart St., Seattle, Wash. Our two big papers in Seattle are the Post-Intelligencer & the Seattle Times. May God help us to carry on in the spirit of our Master to the end.

Your humble brother in Christ, J. Edlund.

1000 Key Street,
Bellingham, Washington

March 6, 1940

Rev. J. Walton Kempe,
16th and Franklin,
Astoria, Oregon

Dear brother:

Am in receipt of the Conference program. Thank you. Will accept the assignments given me, viz. devotional sermon on Thursday at 9 a. m. and altar officiant on Sunday at 11 a. m.

I expect to have two lay delegates with me, one from Clearbrook and the other from Bellingham. Also delegates to the W. M. S. convention. Mrs. Martin will be unable to attend because of the family obligations here at home.

The local newspaper is "The Bellingham Herald", address: Bellingham, Wash. Would appreciate any publicity that you might send in.

I look forward to another visit to Astoria. Have never lived in Astoria but through the folks learned to know many friends. God bless the convention and may He give you strength to carry out your plans.

Fraternally,

J. O. Martin

P. S. Noticed that J. L. Milton Nelson of Sedro Woolley and Nils Norbeck, soon to be in Vancouver, B.C., are not on the program. Perhaps you intended to let them rest this first year. Thought I would just call your attention to the arrival of these two men.

Mount Vernon, Wash, March 6, 1940.

Dear brother:

Thanks for program. it looks OK to me. Perhaps we could *take* time out, say Friday 11:00 a.m., for a memorial service for Dr. Anderson and Dr. Swanson. I think Renhard would be the man for that, even if he is from Portland district. Or, possibly Edlund. How about Nerling, is there anything else that he could be given?

Mrs. Lund and myself have been invited to stay with The Nordblads.

We have two papers in our town: The Mount Vernon Daily Herald and the Argus. The Argus is a weekly and they want the news Wednesday morning of each week. By April first I may have the material for my report. So far I have hardly anything.

ask in Seattle last night in the interest of the Home for the Aged. Dr. Unis is nominated as Superintendent for the home. Expect to be in Portland March 15 to see if anything can be done about the Hospital tangle.

I have a cold that I seem unable to shake off. Hope it will be gone before we get to Astoria.

Sincere personal greetings to you and the family.

Carl C. V. Lund

March 28, 1940

The Rev. J. L. Milton Nelson,
Sedro Woolley,
Washington.

Dear Brother Nelson:

Welcome to the Columbia conference
convention at Astoria, April 24-28!

The Rev. J. C. Elmer can not speak
to our Church-School on Sunday, April 28 and your name
has been suggested. Will you therefore take his place and
address for 25 minutes the Juniors, Seniors and Adults
on your own topic at 9:45 a.m. that Sunday? Kindly let me
know as soon as possible so we may make the change before
the programs go to the printers.

We hope you are getting acclimated
in our conference. There is much home mission work to do
in these parts of God's kingdom. May God bless you in
your endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

Abundeen, Wash.
March 7 - '40.

Dear Pastor Kempf: -
Grace and Peace!
Received your letter
and Conference pro-
gram. Thanks!
I shall be
happy to address
your Primary and

Beginners, Apr. 28th.
How much time
shall I use², and
have you any
preference as to
the topic?

I am looking
forward to a blessed
Conference. May
the Lord guide and
direct all to the
glory of His name!

Give my regards
to Mrs. Kempf - and
Mrs. Hill. (if you
have a chance.) She
was my mother's
confirmation wife.

Sincerely,
Edith M. Ogney

From the desk of—

Rev. E. M. Johnson

March 8, 1940

Rev. J. Walton Kempe
284 - 16th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother:

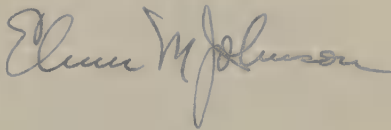
Thank you for conference program. I will do my best to carry out your assignment for the devotions for Friday afternoon on "The Lordship of Christ in Secular Life."

Our news outlet in this city is "The Daily Olympian". Address - Olympia, Wash.

Do you have a photo of the interior of Trinity auditorium? I would like to have it for the W L. Also any additional information on the convention that you can send.

Will let you know later as to the number coming from Olympia.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Elmer M. Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Elmer" and last name "Johnson" clearly distinguishable.

Saron Ev. Lutheran Church

Reverend Joseph C. Elmer Pastor
Eighth and M Streets
HOQUIAM, WASHINGTON
March 12, 1940

Rev. J. Walton Kampe
Astoria, Oregon

Dear brother:

Thank you for the copy of the Conference program. I shall be glad to serve on Thursday evening, but I am wondering if I might not be excused from speaking to the Sunday School on Sunday morning. I feel that my place is ^{at} home in my own churches at that time, and otherwise we will have to have another pastor here, or cancel the services, which I do not want to do. As it will no doubt be my turn to go to Synod this year, and since we will be visiting our people back there at the same time, it will mean several Sundays that I will be away from my pulpits, and during which time visiting pastors will have to supply. I do not care for too much supply work in my Churches.

Please see if you cannot get some one else to serve on Sunday. If I can serve in some ~~other~~ way at some other time I shall be glad to do it.

Fraternally,

Joseph C. Elmer

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 20, 1940

The Rev. J. William Brown
284 16th St.
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother:

It is certainly going to be a pleasure for me to attend the Columbia Conference. I am looking forward to this experience very much, and to the opportunity of going over some of the home mission activities and their personnel.

Regarding the themes for the Convention, I would like to make the following suggestions subject to criticism or change:

Thursday, April 19 Morning Session--8:30 P.M.
Theme--"We are here to serve"

Friday, April 20 With A. J. Brown, Executive Director
Evening Session--7:30 P.M. Theme--
"We are here to serve" Mrs. Brown

Sunday, April 22 Afternoon Closing Session--Theme--
"Lead On, Oh King Eternal!"

For the Kimball on Thursday noon, I have thought of speaking on "Man, Oh Man!".

I hope this meets with your approval, but please feel free to make any suggestions you desire and I will be glad to cooperate.

Sincerely,

S. E. Engstrom

SEE:

CC: Dr. C. A. V. Lund
Mrs. J. A. Martin

P. S. It certainly is grand to see you and your family again. I only wish I could bring Ida along with me. She joins me now in extending greetings to you and yours.

March 26, 1940

Dr. J. G. Sture,
Gresham,
Oregon.

Dear Dr. Sture:

A few details about the Fellowship Banquet at the convention, April 27 might be in place. The Rev. A. L. Langhoff will be the speaker with greetings from Dr. Lund, Mrs. Martin and perhaps the Rev. Mr. Engstrom. Our men's chorus will give a few numbers and we will stick in one or two instrumentals. You will be the toastmaster.

It has been suggested that the Brotherhood hold its election at some other hour during the day so that we will not need to have the same in the banquet program.

I will appreciate any and all tips you can give us on this program of the banquet as we want to make it as pleasing and rich as possible.

Now relative to our Trinity Brotherhood. This year I am serving as president. We have about 25 members. We meet once a month. Sometimes a program is given; at other times times the men meet to do manual labor on the church property. The financial contributions have been very meager -- not worth mentioning. That is about all that can be said for 1939.

Will be hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

Gresham, Oregon
March 18th 1940

Dear Mr. Moberg:

Could you kindly inform me as to your Brotherhood activities or direct your president to do so? Please report number of members, number of meetings, income, nature of activities and accomplishments.

Hearty Greetings from

Julius Sture

March 29, 1940

The Rev. Axel E. Berg,
Troy,
Idaho.

Dear Brother Berg:

We are completing the program schedule for the conference convention here in April. As announced previously several of our men will be asked to preach in the other city churches on Sunday, April 29. We are therefore inviting you to be the guest preacher in the Bethany Lutheran church (Free Church) that morning. You can choose your own theme but it would be desirable if all our men used the regularly assigned text for that Sunday.

Kindly let me know in a few days if you can accept this invitation as I intend to give this information in our printed convention program.

Bethany church is a fine spiritual force in our city. You will like the Rev. Mr. Tofte for his fine congenial and definitely evangelical personality. He has good attendance at his Sunday services and our convention will not detract away from his Sunday morning worship.

With sincere best wishes.

Yours in Him,

J. Walton Kamps.

March 29, 1940

The Rev. C. E. Haterius,
911 Stewart Street,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Brother Haterius:

Welcome to the Columbia conference,
even if it is only temporary.

We are completing the program
schedule for the conference convention here in April (24-28).
It has been planned that we ask some of our men to preach in
the other city churches on Sunday, April 28. We are therefore
inviting you to be the guest preacher in the Presbyterian
church that morning. You can choose your own theme but it
would be desirable if all our men used the regularly
assigned text for that Sunday.

Kindly let me know in a few days if
you can accept this invitation as I intend to give this
information in our printed convention program.

The Rev. Mr. Truscott is a very fine
spiritual man whom you will like very much. His people will
appreciate your service I am sure. Hope you can comply.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

March 29, 1940

The Rev. Elmer M. Johnson,
1313 4th Avenue West,
Olympia, Washington.

Dear Brother Johnson:

We are completing the program schedule for the conference convention here in April. As announced previously several of our men will be asked to preach in the other city churches on Sunday, April 28. We are therefore inviting you to be the guest preacher in the Baptist church that morning. You can choose your own theme but it would be desirable if all our men used the regularly assigned text for that Sunday.

Kindly let me know in a few days if you can accept this invitation as I intend to give this information in our printed convention program.

The Baptist church has good attendance at their services and you will like the Rev. Mr. Britten, the pastor. I hope you will find it possible to be their preacher that morning.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

March 29, 1940

The Rev. Reuben E. Norling,
108 Van Buren Street,
Moscow, Idaho.

Dear Brother Norling:

We are completing the program schedule for the conference convention here in April. As announced previously several of our men will be asked to preach in the other city churches on Sunday, April 28. We are therefore inviting you to be the guest preacher for the Methodists that morning. You can choose your own theme but it would be desirable if all our men used the regularly assigned text for that Sunday.

Kindly let me know very quickly if you can comply with this request as I intend to give this information in our printed convention program.

You will like the Rev. Mr. Fodje, the M. E. pastor. He is a fine evangelical man, Norwegian by birth, Lutheran-Presbyterian by training (in part) and finally took his theology the Methodist way. I feel that you are the pastor who should speak to his people that morning.

With sincere best wishes.

Yours in Him,

J. Walton Kempe.

C. S. ODELL, PASTOR
626 N. W. 10TH AVENUE

Immanuel Lutheran Church

1820 N. W. IRVING STREET
PORTLAND, OREGON

March 29, 1940

Pastor J. Walton Kempe
284 Sixteenth Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother Kempe:

Thanks so very much for your letter, greetings, and enclosures received this morning, with evidences of fine and blessed Easter Festivities also among you good folks.

Thanks, too, for your thoughtfulness in nudging me about your contemplated payment of the notes I have with your congregation. I was indeed very happy when I learned of that fine bequest from one of your members. What a blessing if more of our members remembered the cause of the Lord, rather than many times ungodly relatives.

Mrs. Odell, thank you for asking and hopefully speaking of her restoration, is feeling just fine by now, but must be careful to preserve and recapture her strength.

May I now report to you that I and L.J. Anderson will represent Immanuel at the Conf. Our fees will be mailed you in a few days. With sincere greetings from home to home.

Sincerely, *C. S. Odell*

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1939-1940

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OF THE
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AUGUSTANA SYNOD



"Ye shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

AIM

To make Christ known everywhere

OBJECT

A Woman's, Young Woman's and a Junior
Missionary Society in Every
Congregation
Every Woman and Every Child an Active
Member

"Mission Tidings" in Every Home.

OUR WORK

MISSIONARY DAY (District Convention) -- Held Annually.

HOME MISSION FESTIVAL -- Preferably in March. Goal \$1,000.00, about \$1.00 per member, including Y. W. membership.

INNER MISSION—Contribute to Columbia Conference Home for the Aged, Seattle, Washington, and Columbia Hospital, Astoria, Oregon.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY—Miss Anna Olson, Missionary Nurse to China, quota \$1.10 per member, based on 1935 membership.

FOREIGN MISSION—We encourage gifts to India, China and Africa.

PRAYER DAY—First Sunday in Advent. We urge that Prayer Day Services be conducted locally and that programs consist of a simple prayer service by members. Offerings for the support of Miss Edna Miller, missionary to Africa, and Miss Margaret Hawkinson, missionary to Indian.

JUNIOR WORK—Support through "Thank-Offering Boxes"; Miss Ruth Hildegard Swanson, India; Miss Selma Swanson, Africa; Dr. Lillian Olson, China. Contribute to Home Missions; Home for the Aged, Seattle; Bethphage and Immanuel Children's Homes; Miss Hilda Anderson in Palestine; Christmas Cheer, and to collect canceled stamps for the Swedish National Sanitorium.

That the Junior dues be apportioned as follows:
Foreign Missionary's salary (Minnie Tack)

China	.05
Salary, Missionary among the Jews, Brooklyn, N. Y.	.06
General Funds	.07
Literature and Supplies	.04
Home Mission Projects (Migrants and Sunday Schools)	.03

YOUNG WOMEN'S WORK—Contribute to Home Missions and to the salary of Miss Anna Olson. Support through "Treasure Chests" Dr. Viola Fischer, China, and Dr. Mary Moses, India, and

Girls' School, Africa. We urge our young women to kindly help with contributions to other departments.

DEACONESS FESTIVAL—The great possibilities of this service should be presented to our young women and girls.

LITERATURE—We urge that Mission Tidings be used at every local meeting in some way. Obtain missionary literature from headquarters, 3939 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

CHRISTMAS CHEER—Contribute to this fund for spreading of cheer on Mission Fields. Money must be in not later than October first.

DIME BOOKS—Support Dr. Betty Nilsson, India; Sister Ingeborg Nystul, China, and Miss Eleanor Lindbeck, Africa.

HOMES—Contribute to our Missionary Home in Chicago; and to the Lutheran Homes for Girls in Vancouver, B. C. and New York. Adult and Young Women Societies contribute two dollars per year per society.

SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP—Used for maintaining institutional work on the foreign fields.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS — The receipts from Life Memberships to be applied to the Golden Jubilee Fund.

IN MEMORIAM—A gift of ten dollars in memory of some departed one. Picture and Tribute in "Mission Tidings"—\$2.75. Money to be used for Retirement Fund for Missionaries.

MY MISSIONARY FOR A DAY — (Partnership service with six missionaries). We recommend that individuals contribute to this fund.

INDUSTRIAL WORK—From India, China, Deaconess Institute, and Bethphage may be procured from the Conference Industrial Secretary.

POSTERS—Posters are a valuable assets to our work. **EACH SOCIETY IS URGED TO MAKE AT LEAST ONE.**

FISCAL YEAR—Annual Meeting of local societies held in December. Local treasurers close their books December 15, District treasurers on December 20, and Conference treasurer on December 31.

At the end of the year the Membership Secretary, Statistician and Treasurer should compare their records, and send to the Synodical Membership Secretary complete reports of the paid-up membership.

FUNDS—Contribute 10 cents per member to the Administration Fund, in every Adult, Young Women's and Junior Society.

Adult, Young Women's and Junior Societies contribute \$1.00 annually to Literature Fund.

Send all money through District Treasurers, except for "Mission Tidings."

"Mission Tidings", secretaries send all subscriptions to Miss Clara Anderson, 3906 7th Ave., Rock Island, Illinois.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY GENERAL GOALS

1939 - 1940 - 1941

1. Our women growing in the spiritual life and in knowledge of and zeal for missions.
2. 50% of our communicant women in the W.M.S. (including Young Women).
3. An organized Woman's Missionary Society in each congregation.
4. A Golden Jubilee Fund of \$50,000 to be apportioned in the conference covering a three year period. (Columbia's apportionment \$177 per year).
 - (1) For preparation of nationals (natives) for specific work—nurses, doctors, evangelists and teachers.
 - (2) For specific Home and Foreign Mission Projects.
5. 50% of the homes subscribing to Mission Tidings.

Read "Mission Tidings" for July, 1939, for complete information, and Jubilee Goals for Each Member and for Local Societies. (Pages 34-35-36).

Warren, Oregon
March 30, 1940

Pastor J. Walton Kempe
284 16th. Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Pastor Kempe:

Card received, Thanx.

As to information for publicity I shall give you a few Hi-lites to use if you wish. I do not want to part with my reports, I have never been requested same before, so I feel the following will take care of what you desire.

Under separate cover I'm sending my cut.---

I have served as president since 1933.

We have four districts:

Tacoma
Portland
Spokane
Mt. Baker

Organizations

36 Women Missionary Societies
14 Young Women Societies
24 Junior Societies
6 new societies organized in 1939
1 adult at Mayger, Oregon.
3 Young Women - Gresham, St Helens and Yakima, Washington
2 Junior Societies - Sedro Wooley and Rochester, Washington

Conference Membership

Women Missionary Societies - 951
Young Women Societies - 272
Junior Societies - 539

A gain of 78 over previous year.

Subscription to Mission Tiding

741 Subscriptions ----- 16 over 1939

69 "My Missionary for a Day "

Total income 1939 - \$5915.83

A gain of \$474.36 over previous year.

We support a Missionary nurse in China (Protege) Miss Anna Olson
Home in Vancouver B.C.

Miss Julia Finden - matron

Enclosed folder gives you names of Conference Women Missionary Societies Officers and Department Secretaries.

The new district chairman for 1940 are:

Mrs. Carl E. Rydell, Tacoma, Washington
Mrs. J. Walton Kempe, Portland, Oregon
Mrs. Rueben Norling, Moscow, Idaho
Mrs. Arvid Hawkins, Mt. Baker, Washington

I shall send a card to the Women's Missionary Societies Treasure, Mrs Tegelburg, Everett, Washington and Secretary Mrs. C. R. Swanson, Seattle Washington to send you their cuts by April 10th.

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To Pastor J. Walton Kempe

March 30, 1940

Hoping this meets with your approval, Use whatever you wish.

Thank a million. Greetings.

Sincerely,

Mrs. J. A. Martin
Mrs. J. A. Martin

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Of North America

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OTTO LEONARDSON
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SECRETARY OF STEWARDSHIP
415 HARVARD ST. S. E.
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April 2, 1940

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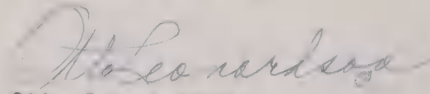
REV. P. O. BERSELL, D.D., EX OFFICIO
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Dr. Carl A. V. Lund
1005 Third Street
Mt. Vernon, Washington

Dear Dr. Lund:

I am enclosing a copy of the program of the Minnesota Conference. If you have not yet printed your program, I should be very pleased if you could find room for the Stewardship material you find on the last page of the program. Thank you for this favor.

Sincerely yours,


Otto Leonardson

OL:vc
Enc.

337 Commercial Ave
Marshfield, Ore.

Dear Bro:-

There will be just one
coming from Trinity Marshfield
and that will be myself. I
will arrive by bus.

I will also fulfill the
devotion assignment on
the program.

May this be a blessed
conference meeting guided
by the Spirit of God.

Fraternally,
Edward Eklof.

April 3, 1940

The Rev. Philip J. Wernanen,
Rochester,
Washington.

Dear Brother Wernanen:

We are completing the program plan for the conference convention here in Astoria. As previously announced some of our men are to be invited to preach Sunday morning, April 28 in some of the other Astoria churches. We therefore invite you to be the guest preacher in the Presbyterian church that morning. You can choose your own theme but it would be desirable if all our men used the regularly assigned text for that Sunday.

Kindly let me know right away if you can or not accept this invitation. I intend to have this information printed in the regular convention program.

The Rev. Mr. Truscott is a very fine spiritual man whom you will like very much. His people will appreciate your service I am sure. Hope you can comply.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kimo.

April 8, 1940.

The Rev. Bernard Spang,
608 West Chestnut,
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Brother Spang:

We are completing the program plans for our Astoria Conference convention, April 24-26. As announced previously several of our men will be asked to preach in the other city churches on Sunday, April 26. We are therefore inviting you to be the guest preacher for the Disciples of Christ that morning. You can choose your own theme but it would be desirable that all our men use the regularly assigned text for that Sunday.

Kindly let us know right away if you can comply with this request as I intend to give this information in our printed convention program.

The Rev. Mr. Myers is ^a fine brother and you will like him very much. They will appreciate, too, your evangelical message in his church. I hope you can comply with this request.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Lampe.

Rochester, Washington
April 4, 1940

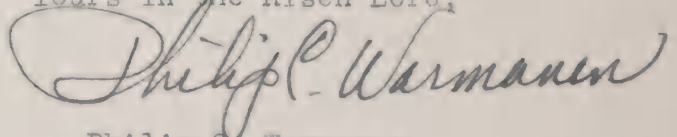
The Rev. J. Walton Kempe
284 16th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother Kempe:

Thank you for the two letters I have received from you concerning the Conference convention. I regret that I have not answered the first one before this, since you are anxious to formulate the program. I shall be glad to accept my assignment for the convention.

I shall also be very happy to preach the sermon at the Presbyterian Church, and I am anticipating meeting the Rev. Mr. Truscott.

Yours in the Risen Lord,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Philip C. Warmanen". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large initial "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

Philip C. Warmanen

April 5, 1940

Mr. David Lofgren, Jr.
6027 S. E. 36th Street
Portland, Oregon

Dear Friend David:

We are winding up our plans for the Columbia Conference Convention which will meet here with us, April 24-28. On Sunday afternoon, April 28, the concluding convention rally will be held at 3 o'clock. At 2:45 that afternoon, we thought it would be a splendid thing if you could be present and give us a fifteen minute organ recital. The matter of minutes is not important for the people will begin gathering at 2:30, and it will be well if music were furnished during the greater part of the period when the congregation is assembling. Do you think you could favor us with your presence and furnish this music? If so, let me know very soon as I would include this step in our printed program.

We hope it will be possible for you to be also present, not only on Sunday but during the greater portion of the Convention. We are all choring around getting ready for this conclave. Our people seem to be thrilled with the prospect of entertaining Columbia this year.

Awaiting your reply, I remain

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe

April 6, 1940/

The Rev. Carl V. Benson,
1710 24th Street,
Everett, Washington.

Dear Brother Benson:

Will you kindly preach the morning sermon on our regular text in the Disciples of Christ on Conference Sunday, April 28? The Rev. Mr. Spong was asked so to do, but today I am told he has to leave for home before the convention is over. You will favor me a great deal if you will accept this invitation. Please!

The Rev. Mr. Myers is a fine pastor and neighbor I know you will enjoy preaching for his people. Answer me by return mail, special delivery, upon receipt of this letter. These extra appointments are also to be announced in the printed program.

Thank you for your good will.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

Everett, Wash.
April 7, 1940

Dear Brother,

I shall be glad to be of assistance to you on Sunday, April 28. You could let me know later the particulars about the service.

^{am}
I am looking forward with eager anticipation to the Conference meeting. It will be my first trip into Oregon.

May God richly grant our fellowship together during the week.

Cordially,

Carly V. Benson

Warren, Oregon
April 8, 1940

Dear Brother Kempe:

The following will be delegates
from Warren - St. Helens pastorate to Col. Conf. Annual
meeting:

Mrs. Lars Larvick, First, St. Helens, -Conf. Lit. Sec.
Mrs. Fred Jensen, " " W.M.S. delegate
Mrs. O.D. Bergen, Bethany, Warren, " "
Mrs. K.G. Nelson, Mayger, Ore. " " (doubtful)

Mr. Albert Larson, Bethany, Warren.
Mr. Wm. Keutzer, First, St. Helens.
Pastor J.A. & Mrs. Martin.

Fraternally,

J.A. Martin

April 10, 1940

The Rev. Dr. Carl A. V. Lund,
1005 Third Street,
Mt Vernon, Washington.

Dear Dr. Lund:

I have received Minnesota conference program and the stewardship appeal will be printed on last page of our program.

Our program is now at the printers. Hope it will all meet with your approval. Some last minute changes have had to be made -- but very few so far. I received a card from The Rev. J. Herman Olsson saying that he ~~is~~ coming. He is not on the stated program so you may have to work him in somewhere. Does the conference take care of his and Angstrom's registrations?

we
It is possible that ~~we~~ will get our new altar in before the convention. Should it arrive we will want you to dedicate it at some appropriate time in one of the sessions -- preferably Wednesday or Thursday evening.

In the matter of greetings from the other synods I am assuming that you ask them to appoint some one to bring these felicitations. On Thursday at eleven o'clock we want the city mayor to say welcome to the convention. He is not a long winded official. At that time also we want Mr. Norblad to welcome the convention on behalf of the Columbia hospital.

I see by the Companion that the Budget committee will meet on Monday. We were not expecting to provide meals and lodging for any one until Tuesday. We will take care of the Conference Board on Tuesday and Wednesday. What has been the practice before in re Monday comers?

One more thing. Are there any pastoral singers whom we could work in at the Kiwanis program on Thursday noon? Give me names, please!

Thanks for letting me bother you and

Sincerely yours,

April 10, 1940

The Rev. Axel E. Berg,
Troy,
Idaho.

Dear Brother Berg:

Thank you for accepting the invitation to preach in Bethany church on convention Sunday.

The Rev. Mr. Tofte called me now and asked if your sermon would be an address on The Church College and Christian Education. The reason for this is that that day is Augsburg Day in their churches and an offering is to be taken for Augsburg Seminary in all the Free Church congregations. I assured him that you would give his people a fine address on some subject related to this issue.

Send Bethany's pastor your subject as soon as you have formulated one for he wants to advertise it to his folks. His address is The Rev. James A. Tofte, 1686 Franklin street, Astoria.

Thanking you for your kindness,

I remain

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

April 10, 1940

Mrs. John A. Martin,
Warren,
Oregon.

Dear Mrs. Martin:

You will pardon if I come to you this time with a request for a "change in menu" in one item.

It pertains to the sessions on Saturday. There has arisen some objection to change the two conventions on that day. And in studying the programs I believe it will be possible for the Missionary sessions to continue at Grace church on that day also. Mrs. Kempe, since the programs are largely Astoria affairs, feels that the place of program does not make any difference in the presentation. I thought I would tell you before the convention begins so you^{and} be prepared to "set up" displays and the like for the week in one place.

Since we are borrowing a church for your meetings it will be well not to question motives etc in the above situation. I am sure you will understand my position in this matter.

We have had very few women's registrations so far. April 13 is the dead line for those desiring lodging.

May our conventions function to the best interests of the Kingdom.

Sincerely yours,

J. Walton Kempe.

Portland

April 12, 1940

Dear Rev. Kempe

Enclosed please find check for
the amount of \$1.00 covering delegate
expense from Immanuel Lutheran
Church, Portland to conference sessions.

Yours very truly

Arma H. Hendrickson

Treasurer

Rev. O. L. L.
Lutheran Church

165 West 65th Street
Seattle, Washington
April 16, 1940

Rev. J. Walton Kempe
284 16th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Dear Brother:

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of the mimeographed reports being presented to the Conference. You should have had this report before, but I have not been able to get it ready any sooner.

In the notices that have been made of the meeting of the Conference there is also a notice of the meeting of the Budget Committee for Monday, April 22, at 1:00 P. M. You have probably seen this announcement, but I also want to mention it here.

I plan to come to Astoria on Monday noon. Mrs. Bengtson may come down on Wednesday or Thursday. Of our delegates I am counting on Otto Johnson from Bethel, and Carl Casperson from Port Blakely to attend. It seems doubtful whether any of the Emmaus men will attend as delegates.

very truly yours,

Carl A. Bengtson

To the Pastors of the Columbia Conference.

Dear Rev. Kampe,

We the life members of the Columbia Conference Home for the Aged, Seattle, Wash. address this letter to the Pastors of the Conference, in humble prayer asking you that the best interest of the Home be considered at your next conference meeting to be held at Astoria, Ore. April 24-28.

Our earnest prayer is that an efficient superintendent be placed at the head of this office, that we can truly feel it is a Home where we can find rest, for both soul, and body at the sunset of our eventide: some matters concerning this Home, is far from what they should be. We are of one opinion that the man who should and would be able to efficiently superintend this Home, is Dr. J. W. Unis M.D. who is at present the medical doctor at the Home and a man whom we all love. We kindly urge you all to try to obtain Dr. Unis for this very important office,

We are addressing this letter to you having the Home for the Aged at heart, that it can be classed as a first class institution and a credit to our Columbia Conference: if so, a man like Dr. Unis must be in charge.

May the Lord guide you to make this all important decision is our humble prayer and petition.

Very sincerely yours.

Gust Linders

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